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TO FORMER STYLE

Now to Be Deceased That
Bang Shall Be Restored
to Favor.

much protest was made
about the reappearance of
"bang" across the forehead. It
to be rather firmly entrenched

majority of women will wear it
in large measure. It will
compel women
from their foreheads that low-
mass of hair now the fashion
it with a tiny, wavy

heard to cut the hair to make
bang. One can buy it by the
any hair shop and attach it
one's own hair by an invisible

should be extra careful not to
think or straight.

bang, once so fashion-
able in the nineteenth cen-
tury promises to return. It has
done so in Paris, but there
the wavy fringe, only accom-
panied by the pompadour.

of these have been introduced
a newness to a forehead from
the hair has been lifted.

Collar Lining.

collar lining which can
under a number of transpar-
ent materials is the latest founda-
tion of the new collar. It has
a ruffling attached to it
The bottoms and tops are
with soft tape. To get the best
the bottom tape is lightly bast-
ed to the base of collar with which it
is sewn.

NEW BLOUSE DESIGN.



the illustration is shown a design
which may be of lingerie,
satin or chiffon, the last three
made in colors to match any
with which it is to be worn.
trimming is of embroidery and
extraneous if the blouse is of
or batiste. On a white crepe de
blouse the design was effective-
worked out with black silk em-
broideries and bands of jetted lace.

it fall to see our big line of
Christmas Goods. Presents for old
young can be selected from our
—Berenden.

more landrum, of the Livingston
mer, is boasting Ohio James for
President of the United States.

PILESI PILESI
Williams' Indian Pile Ointment, will
Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles
absorbs the tumors, allays itching
pains, acts as a poultice, gives in-
stant relief. Williams' Pile Ointment
prepared for Piles and Itching of
private parts. Sold by druggists,
at 50c and \$1. Williams' Mfg. Co.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

special from New Orleans says:
is announced here that the steam-
ship, Keystone State, will leave Point
Bassett, W. Va., for New Orleans
with a cargo on January 1, and that
the remainder of the season
Steamers will operate the Key-
stone State in the New Orleans St.
Louis river service. It is announced
that the Belle of Calhoun will
leave for New Orleans December 15,
taking two boats in the St. Louis
trade.

T. N. Bellow, who has acted as R.
D. carrier on Route 2, Crutcheville,
for the last five years has resigned
and has sold his residence to his
brother, N. H. Bellow.

What Will Please a Lady or Young Lady

Can Best be Answered at This Store

YOU cannot find a better place to get Just the Right Thing.
Our stock is full of attractions to buyers who appreciate
superior and really desirable Holiday Goods of the useful, and
lasting pleasure kind.



EVERY LADY OR YOUNG LADY WHO
NEEDS A SUIT OR COAT

could not receive a more appropriate gift, nor could you find a
better time for you to buy one.

**Tailored Suits and Ladies'
Misses' and Children's Coats**

All Reduced In Price

Such an announcement should be interesting to any one who
has one of the above to buy. For few of us there are, with
Christmas so near, who do not have a double use for every dol-
lar. Broken lots and an unfavorable season force these reduc-
tions so soon.

If you're worried what to give the following list will help

- Furs, Shirt Waists, House Slippers, a Dress,
- A Waist Pattern, Plain or Fancy Hose, Art Squares,
- Rugs, Lace or Portiere Curtains, a Silk Dress, a Waist,
- A Dress Skirt, Kid Gloves, Scarfs, Mufflers, Shoes,
- Novelty Hat Pins, Beauty Pins, Belt Pins, Back Combs,
- Barrettes, Hair Pins, Hair Turbans, Belts,
- Sweater Coats, Christmas Umbrellas, Hats,
- Fancy Collars, Fancy Pillows, Table Linen,
- Towels, Shawls, Uppers, Trimmings, etc.

And a multitude of similar articles that must be seen to be appre-
ciated. If you want the good quality, the right article and the rea-
sonable prices, come here first.

Smith & Amberg

The present session of Congress is what is known as the "long session." There is no constitutional limitation to its duration. It may expire in May or it may extend into the summer. Speaker Cannon, who has a good deal to say about running the lawmaking mill, is throwing out hints of a prolonged session. He furnishes no reason for this belief in particular, beyond the fact that his long home and repair their political fences for the fall campaign so that it is a case of "paying your money and taking your choice."

If its in the grocery line, we have it.—C. H. Moore. Phone No. 4.

The Optimist's Corner
Daily Helps to Health
and Happiness

By GEORGE F. BUTLER, A. M., M. D.

Life is good; filled to the brim with much that is really worth while. And the hunt is in us, and the hops and the faith, so let us lift our heads and with our purpose clearly defined let us out and for it. To be unhappy is to make unhappiness; to be sad is to engender sorrow; to complain of poor health is to breed disease; to whine is to disgust. So, even though the rainbow ends in a pot of junk, let us smile and try again. There would be no such thing as success if all succeeded; no joy, if all were joyful. These are comparative conditions, and are for us only in such measure as we may be able to take them in. And if we fall and fall again, we may know the reason if we will. We are inclined to blame others for it; to elicit sympathy by talking of conditions and environments, but deep down in our hearts we know that our own lack of strength to cope with these conditions and environments has brought the Black One to us, and that these rocks and pitfalls in the roadway are but chapters in the lesson of life. If things go wrong with you, cut envy from your heart. If you see your neighbors doing as you would like to do, speed them on. It marks you down and puts you deeper in the hole to nurse a wrath against them.

The ground has been broken in front of the court house for the Obion county Confederate monument. This monument is to be erected to the memory of the Confederate soldiers of Obion County, living and dead, that part of the territory known as Obion county before the boundaries of Lake County were changed.

A. S. Barkett, of West Hickman, pays the highest market price for all kinds of furs.

A trade was made last week whereby the transfer of the Preston Printing Co. job plant was made to the Hurt Printing Co. This is the same plant owned for many years by the Cartan Printing Co., and is one of the best in the smaller towns of the state.—Union City Commercial.

The average head of the house is not worrying particularly over what he will get Christmas. It is the thought of what is coming to him after Christmas that is giving him that anxious look.

Night riders burned the barn of Ed Judy at Beaver Baptist church in Harrison county, with 5,000 pounds of tobacco, and cut all telephone wires in that section of the county. Several shots were fired. Judy was an independent grower.

TARPINE for coughs and colds—25c per bottle.—Helm & Ellison.

For the purpose of impressing upon the 330 census supervisors, President Taft's desire for a nonpolitical, accurate and economical census, the director has arranged for a series of conferences with them.

The United States gold mines produced \$94,560,000 worth of the precious metal this year, an increase of a million and a quarter over last year. Colorado leads with California and Alaska second and third.

The living expenses of the people have reached a point of inflated values that cannot last. There will be more actual distress among the poor this winter than ever before.

HEALTH AND VITALITY.
Mott's Nervine Pills

The great nerve and brain treatment for men and women, produces strength and vitality, builds up the system and renews the normal vigor. For sale by druggists or by mail, \$1 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.—Hickman Drug Co., Incorporated.

Remember A. S. Barkett buys all kinds of furs.

Buy your coal now.—Hickman Ice & Coal Co.

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HELPS DEEP WATERWAYS

PRESIDENT TALKS TO RIVERS AND HARBORS CONGRESS.

Chief Executive Announces Himself
Warm Supporter of Inland
Improvements.

Washington—Speaking in strong
endorsement of the policy of waterway im-
provement, President Taft stirred up
much enthusiasm during the opening
hours of the sixth convention of the Na-
tional Rivers and Harbors Congress here
Wednesday.

Hundreds of delegates, representing
every section of the United States, filled
the great banquet hall of the New Wil-
lard, where they sat under their state
banners. Men and women delegates
arose when the arrival of the President
was announced and gave their visitor a
rapturous reception, concluding the demon-
stration with three cheers and a tiger.

Upon being presented to the assem-
bled President Taft spoke at length,
dwelling upon his interest in the policy
of waterway improvement, and offered
advice to the delegates upon methods for
attaining the ends they seek.

"I congratulate this congress," said
Mr. Taft, "on having brought the sub-
ject of waterways to such a point that
the representatives in Congress from one
end of the country to the other recognize
it as a subject that calls for action.

They have not come to a definite con-
clusion as to the policy that ought to be
adopted, but they have come to the con-
clusion that some policy must be adopted
with reference to the development of
those instrumentalities which nature has
furnished for the transportation of goods
and for the controlling of railroad rates.

"A year ago President Roosevelt and
I were together on a platform before the
Conservation of Resources Convention,
in which we both advocated the issuing
of bonds in order that a project for im-
proving waterways when begun should
be completed in a reasonable time. I am
still a consistent advocate of that theory.

"But I want to suggest a word of cau-
tion. You are going to encounter in
Congress great opposition to the policy
of issuing bonds right out of hand. You
are much more likely to get from Con-
gress a declaration of policy in the shape
of a declaration that a certain improve-
ment ought to be carried out and spread
upon the minutes of Congress in the form
of a resolution or a declaration in a
statute. What I advise you to do is to
get that declaration.

"Then when the time comes that po-
litical exigency shall prevent the approp-
riation of sufficient money from the
current revenue to put the proper part
of the project through the coming year
or the coming two years as economy re-
quires, then the question of issuing bonds
will arise. I would get the declaration
first, and not have the bonds first, for
the reason that you will encounter the
objection by Congress that the issuing of
bonds and the receipt of the money will
develop a desire to be extravagant."

NATIONAL WEALTH GAUGES

Monetary Commission Issues Com- prehensive Statement.

Washington—With total resources of
\$450.19 per capita of population, the
banking institutions of the Eastern and
Middle Atlantic States lead the country.
The New England States come next
with \$433.60 per capita; the Pacific
States are third with \$347.78; the Mid-
dle Western fourth with \$190.64; the
far Western fifth with \$161.35; the
Southern sixth with \$71.19, and the
island possessions trail off with \$5.22
per capita. The United States as a whole
shows banking resources per capita of
\$237.24; with the island possessions in-
cluded, the rate is lowered to \$215.35.

These comparisons form a feature of
a remarkable report issued by the national
monetary commission. West Virginia
heads the Southern list with a per cap-
ita of \$112.66; Louisiana follows with
\$96.61; then in order come Texas,
\$90.67; Virginia, \$88.61; Kentucky,
\$86.66; Florida, \$80.54; Tennessee,
\$71.46; Georgia, \$64.23; South Carolina,
\$52.84; North Carolina and Alabama,
each \$45.41; Mississippi, \$45.33; Arkan-
sas, \$41.14.

RACE SUICIDE IS JUSTIFIED

Equal Guardianship Over Children or No Children.

Milwaukee, Wis.—"Race suicide is jus-
tified in all these States where women
are not legally joint guardians of their
own children.

"Men are still grabbing all the fat,
salaries jobs, but we women must ad-
vance the economic condition of our sex.
"Women never worked for an immoral
of an evil bill, or one with graft con-
nected with it."

These were some of the statements of
Mrs. Catharine Waugh McCullough,
speaking before the girls of Downer col-
lege.

Mrs. McCullough was doing a little mi-
sionary work for woman's suffrage. She
is from Chicago—a lawyer and justice
of the peace there. Also she stands
high in the councils of the Illinois Suff-
rage Association.

PRESIDENT TAFT SENDS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Policy of the Administration
Made Clear to the
Country.

FAVORS SHIP SUBSIDY BILL

Chief Executive Gives Reasons for De-
siring the Passage of Such a Meas-
ure—Postal Savings Banks—Plea
for Conservation of National Re-
sources.

Washington.—The president trans-
mitted the following message to Con-
gress:
To the Senate and House of Repre-
sentatives:

The relations of the United States with
all foreign governments have continued
upon the normal basis of amity and good
understanding, and are very generally
satisfactory.

Latin America.
One of the happiest events in recent
Pan-American diplomacy was the recent
independent settlement by the govern-
ments of Bolivia and Peru of a boundary
dispute between them, which for some
months threatened to draw us into war and
to entrain embitterments affecting other
republics less directly concerned. From
various quarters, directly or indirectly
concerned, the intermediation of the Uni-
ted States was sought to assist in a so-
lution of the controversy. Dealing at all
times to abstain from any undue mingling
in the affairs of sister republics and hav-
ing faith in the ability of the govern-
ments of Peru and Bolivia themselves to
settle their differences in a manner satis-
factory to themselves which, viewed with
magnanimity, would assuage all embitter-
ment, the government steadily ab-
stained from being drawn into the con-
troversy and was much gratified to find
its confidence justified by events.

On the ninth of July next there will
open at Buenos Aires the fourth Pan-
American conference. This conference
will have a special meaning to the hearts
of all Americans, because around its date
are clustered the anniversaries of the in-
dependence of so many American repub-
lics. It is not necessary for me to remind
the congress of the political, social and
commercial importance of these gather-
ings. You are asked to make liberal ap-
propriation for our participation. If this
is granted, it is my purpose to appoint
a distinguished and representative dele-
gation, qualified fittingly to represent this
country and to deal with the problems of
intercontinental interest which will there
be discussed.

The Argentine Republic will also hold
from May to November, 1910, at Buenos
Aires, a great international agricultural
exhibition in which the United States has
been invited to participate. Considering
the rapid growth of the trade of the Uni-
ted States with the Argentine Republic
and the cordial relations existing between
the two nations, together with the fact
that the exhibition affords an opportunity
to show deference to a sister republic on the
occasion of the celebration of its national
independence, the proper departments
of this government are taking steps to ap-
propriate the interest concerned in the op-
portunity afforded by this exhibition, in
order that appropriate participation by this
country is as desirable. This designation
of an official representative is also receiv-
ing consideration.

The Pan-American policy of this gov-
ernment has long been fixed in its prin-
ciples and remains unchanged. With the
changed circumstances of the United
States and of the republics to the south
of us, most of which have great natural
resources, stable government and pro-
gressive ideals, the apprehension which
gave rise to the Monroe doctrine may be
said to have nearly disappeared and nei-
ther doctrine as it exists nor any other
doctrine of American policy should be
permitted to operate to the detriment
of irresponsible government, the escape
of just indignation or the insidious
allurements of dominating ambitions on
the part of the United States.

Beside the fundamental doctrine of our
Pan-American policy there have grown up
a realization of political and economic
community of institutions and ideals and
a flourishing commerce. All these bonds
will be greatly strengthened as time goes
on and increased facilities, such as the
great bank soon to be established in Lat-
in America, supply the means for build-
ing up the colossal intercontinental com-
merce of the future.

My meeting with President Diaz and
the greeting exchanged on both Ameri-
can and Mexican soil served, I hope, to
signify the close and cordial relations
which so well bind together this republic
and the republic immediately to the
south, between which there is so vast a
network of material interests.

I am happy to say that all but one
of the cases which for so long vexed our
relations with Venezuela have been set-
tled within the past few months and that,
under the auspices of the government
directing the government of Venezuela, prac-
tically no case has been made for arbitration
of the remaining case before The Hague tri-
bunal.

Since the Washington conventions of
1907 were promulgated to the govern-
ment of the United States as a consult-
ing and advisory party, the government
has been almost continuously called upon
by one or another, and in turn by all of
the five Central American republics, to
exercise itself for the maintenance of the
conventions. Nearly every complaint has
been against the Zelaya government of
Nicaragua, which has kept Central Amer-
ica in constant tension and turmoil. The
responsibility for the representations of
Central American republics, as due from
the United States on account of its rela-
tion to the Washington conventions, have
been at all times onerous and have
been avoided, so far as possible, any com-
plexity of interference, although it is very ap-
parent that the considerations of geo-
graphical proximity to the canal zone and of the
very substantial American interests in
Central America give to the United
States a special position in the eyes of
these republics and the Caribbean sea.

I need not rehearse here the patient
efforts of this government to promote
peace and welfare among these repub-
lics, efforts which are fully appreciated
by the majority of them, who are loyal
to their true interests. It would be no
less unnecessary to rehearse here the
outlets of unappealing barbarities and
apprehensions alleged to have been com-
mitted by the Zelaya government. Recently
two Americans were put to death by or-
ders of President Zelaya himself. They
were officers in the organized forces of
a revolution which was in control of
about half of the republic, and as such,

according to the modern enlightened
practice of civilized nations they were
entitled to be dealt with as prisoners of
war.

At the date when this message is
printed this government has terminated
diplomatic relations with the Zelaya gov-
ernment, for reasons made public in a
communication to the former Nicaraguan
charge d'affaires, and is intending to take
such future steps as may be found most
consistent with its dignity, its duty to
American interests and its moral obliga-
tions to Central America and to civilization.

Department of State.

I earnestly recommend to the favor-
able consideration of the congress the ca-
binets submitted by the department of
state and most especially the legisla-
tion suggested in the secretary of state's
letter of this date, whereby it will be
possible to develop and make permanent
the reorganization of the department
upon modern lines in a manner to make
it thoroughly efficient instrument in
the furtherance of our foreign trade and
of American interests abroad. The plan
to have divisions of Latin-American and
Far-Eastern affairs and to institute a
certain specialization in business with
Europe and the near east will of course
commend itself. These political and geo-
graphical divisions and the detail of the
diplomatic or consular service to the
department of a number of men who
bring to the study of complicated prob-
lems in different parts of the world
practical knowledge recently gained on
the spot, clearly is of the greatest ad-
vantage to the secretary of state in fore-
seeing conditions likely to arise and in
conducting the great variety of corre-
spondence and negotiation. It should be
remembered that such facilities exist in
the foreign offices of all the leading com-
mercial nations and that in deny them
to our government we would be placing
this government at a great disad-
vantage in the rivalry of commercial
competition.

The consular service has been im-
proved under the law of April 5, 1906,
and the executive order of June 7, 1906,
and I commend to your consideration the
current embodying in a statute the prin-
ciples of the present executive order
upon which the efficiency of our consular
service is wholly dependent.

Expenditures and Revenues.

Perhaps the most important question
presented to this administration is that
of economy in expenditures and suffi-
ciency of revenue. The deficit of the
last fiscal year, and the certain deficit
of the current year, prompted congress
to the greater responsibility on the
executive and the estimate of the re-
venue, than had heretofore been de-
clared by statute. This declaration im-
poses upon the secretary of the
treasury the duty of ascertaining all the
estimates of the executive departments,
bureaus and offices of the expenditures
necessary in the ensuing fiscal year,
and of making an estimate of the re-
venue of the government for the same
period; and if a probable deficit is thus
shown, it is made the duty of the pres-
ident to recommend the method by
which such deficit can be met.

The report of the secretary shows
that the ordinary expenditures for the
current year ending June 30, 1910,
will exceed the estimated receipts by
\$14,075,620. If to this deficit is added
the sum to be disbursed for the Pan-
ama Canal, amounting to \$38,000,000,
and \$1,000,000 to be paid on the public
debt, the deficit of ordinary receipts
and expenditures will be increased to
a total deficit of \$52,075,620. This de-
ficit the secretary proposes to meet by
the proceeds of bonds issued to pay
the cost of constructing the Panama
Canal. I approve this proposal.

In order to avoid a deficit for the
ensuing fiscal year, I directed the
heads of departments in the prepara-
tion of their estimates to make them
as far as possible consistent with im-
perative governmental necessity.

Civil Pensions.

I am aware that there is a strong
feeling in both houses of congress, and
possibly in the country, against the
establishment of civil pensions, and
that this has naturally grown out of
the heavy burden of military pensions,
which it has always been the policy
of our government to assume; but I
am strongly convinced that no other
practical solution of the difficulties
presented by the superannuated civil
servants can be found than that
of a system of civil pensions.

Frauds in the Collection of Customs.
I regret to refer to the fact of the
discovery of extensive frauds in the
collection of the customs revenue at
New York city, in which a number of
the subordinate employees in the weigh-
ing and other departments were di-
rectly concerned, and in which the
beneficiaries were the American Sugar
Refining Company and others. The
frauds consisted in the payment of
duties on unwarranted sugar. The
government has recovered from the
American Sugar Refining Company all
that it is shown to have been defrauded
of. The sum was received in full of
the amount due, which might have
been recovered by civil suit against
the beneficiary of the fraud, but there
was an express reservation in the con-
tract of settlement by which the settle-
ment should not interfere with or pre-
vent the criminal prosecution of every
one who was found to be subject to
the same.

Criminal prosecutions are now pro-
ceeding against a number of the gov-
ernment officers. The treasury de-
partment and the department of jus-
tice are exerting every effort to dis-
cover all the wrongdoers, including
the officers and employees of the com-
panies who may have been privy to
the fraud. It would seem to me that
an investigation of the frauds by con-
gress at present, pending the pro-
ceedings by the treasury department and
the department of justice, as proposed,
might by giving immunity and other-
wise prove an embarrassment in secur-
ing conviction of the guilty parties.

The Tariff Act.

Two features of the new tariff act
call for special reference. By virtue
of the clause known as the "minimum
and maximum" clause, it is the duty
of the executive to consider the laws
and practices of other countries with
reference to the importation into these
countries of the products and mer-
chandise of the United States, and if
the executive finds that such laws and
practices are not to be unduly discrimi-
natory against the United States, the
minimum duties provided in the bill are
to go into force. Unless the president
makes such a finding, then the maxi-
mum duties provided in the bill, that
is, an increase of 25 per cent ad val-
orem over the minimum duties, shall
be in force. Fear has been expressed
that this power conferred and duty
imposed on the executive is likely to
lead to a tariff war. I beg to express
the hope and belief that no such result
need be anticipated.

The discretion granted to the execu-
tive by the terms "unduly discrimi-
natory" is wide. In order that the
maximum duty shall be charged against
the imports from a country, it is neces-
sary that he shall find on the part of
that country not only discriminations
in laws or the practice under them
against the trade of the United States,
but that the discriminations favoring
other countries be such that, without good
and fair reason, I conceive that this
power was reposed in the president
with the hope that the maximum du-
ties might never be applied in any case,
but that the power to apply them would

enable the president and the state de-
partment through friendly negotiation
to secure the elimination from the laws
and the practice under them of any
foreign country of that which is unduly
discriminatory. Nations are making
a tariff war a condition in which
the spirit of retaliation still be
aroused.

Needs of the Navy.

The return of the battleship fleet from
its voyage around the world, in more
efficient condition than when it started,
was a noteworthy event of interest alike
to our citizens and the naval authorities
of the world. Besides the beneficial and
far-reaching effect on our personal and
diplomatic relations in the countries
which the fleet visited, the marked suc-
cess of the ships in steaming around the
world in all weathers in schedule time
has increased respect for our navy and
has added to our national prestige.

Injunctions Without Notice.

The platform of the successful party in
the last election contained the following:
"The Republican party will uphold at
all times the authority and integrity of
the courts, state and federal, and will
insist that their powers to enforce
their process and protect life, liberty
and property shall be preserved inviolate.
We believe, however, that the rules of
procedure in the federal courts with re-
spect to the issuance of the writ of in-
junction should be more accurately
defined by statute and that no injunction
or temporary restraining order should be
issued without notice, except where le-
gal injury would result from delay,
which case a speedy hearing there-
after should be granted."

I recommend that in compliance with
the promise thus made appropriate legis-
lation be adopted. The rule of justice
will best be met and the chief cause of
complaint against ill-considered injunc-
tions without notice will be removed by
the enactment of a statute providing
hereafter the issuance of any injunction
or restraining order, whether temporary
or permanent, by any federal court,
without previous notice and a reasonable
opportunity to be heard on behalf of the
parties to be enjoined, unless it shall ap-
pear to the satisfaction of the court that
the delay necessary to give notice, and
hearing would result in irreparable
injury to the complainant and unless also
the court shall from the evidence make
a written finding, which shall be spread
upon the court minutes, that immediate
and irreparable injury is likely to ensue
to the complainant, and shall define the
injury, state why it is irreparable, and
shall also indorse on the order issued the
date and the hour of the issuance of the
order. Moreover, every such injunction
or restraining order issued without pre-
vious notice and opportunity by the de-
fendant to be heard should be by force of
the statute to expire and be of no effect
after seven days from the issuance there-
of or within any time less than that pe-
riod which the court may fix, unless
within the injunction or order is as-
tated or renewed after previous notice
and opportunity to be heard.

Second-Class Mail Matter.

The deficit every year in the post-
office department is largely caused by the
low rate of postage of one cent a pound
charged on second-class mail matter,
which includes not only newspapers but
magazines and miscellaneous periodicals.
The actual loss growing out of the trans-
mission of this second-class mail matter
at one cent a pound amounts to about
\$3,000,000 a year. The average cost of the
transportation of this matter is more than
one cent a pound.

It appears that the average distance over
which newspapers are delivered in
their customers is 20 miles, while the
average haul of magazines is 1,000, and
of miscellaneous periodicals 1,125 miles.
Thus, the average haul of the magazine
is three and one-half times that of the
miscellaneous periodical nearly four
times the haul of the daily newspaper, yet
all of them pay the same postage rate of
one cent a pound. The statistics of 1907
show that second-class mail matter con-
stituted 63.1 per cent of the weight of
all the mail, and yielded only 5.19 per cent
of the revenue.

The figures given are startling, and
show the payment by the government of
an enormous subsidy to the newspapers,
magazines and periodicals, and congress
may well consider whether radical steps
should not be taken to reduce the deficit
in the postoffice department caused by
this discrepancy between the actual cost
of transportation and the compensation
exact therefor.

A great saving might be made, amount-
ing to much more than half of the loss
by imposing upon magazines and peri-
odicals a higher rate of postage. They
contain a much higher percentage of ad-
vertising to reading matter, and the average
distance of their transportation is three
and one-half times as great.

Postal Savings Banks.

The second subject worthy of mention
in the postoffice department is the real-
necessity and entire practicability of es-
tablishing postal savings banks. The suc-
cessful party of the last election declared
in favor of postal savings banks, and al-
though the proposition finds opponents in
many parts of the country, I am con-
vinced that the people desire such banks,
and am sure that when the banks are fur-
nished they will be productive of the ut-
most good.

Favors Ship Subsidy.

Following the course of my distin-
guished predecessor, I feel it my duty
to recommend to congress the consideration
and passage of a ship subsidy bill, looking
to the establishment of lines between our
Atlantic seaboard and the eastern coast
of South America, as well as lines from
the west coast of the United States to
South America, China, Japan and the
Philippines. The profits on foreign mails
are perhaps a sufficient measure of the
expenditures which might first be tan-
tatively applied to this method of inducing
American capital to undertake the estab-
lishment of American lines of steamships
in those directions in which we now feel
it most important that we should have
means of transportation controlled in the
interest of the expansion of our trade. A
bill of this character has once passed the
house and once passed the senate, and I
hope that at this session a bill framed on
the same lines and with the same pur-
poses may become a law.

Conserving National Resources.

In several departments there is present
the necessity for legislation looking to
the further conservation of our national
resources, and the subject is one of such
importance as to require a more detailed
and extended discussion than can be en-
tered upon in this communication. For
that reason I shall take an early op-
portunity to send a special message to con-
gress on the subject of the improvement
of our waterways, upon the reclamation
and irrigation of arid, semi-arid, and
swamp lands; upon the preservation of
our forests and the reforestation of sui-
table areas; upon the reclamation of the
public domain with a view of sep-
arating from agricultural settlement min-
eral, coal, and phosphate lands and sites
belonging to the government bordering on
streams suitable for the utilization of
water power.

Political Contribution.

I urgently recommend to congress that
a law be passed requiring that candi-
dates in elections of members of the
house of representatives and committees
in charge of their candidacy and cam-
paign file in a proper office of the United
States government a statement of the
contributions received by them, and the
disbursements incurred in the campaign for
elections and that similar legislation be
enacted in respect to all other elections
which are constitutionally within the con-
trol of congress.

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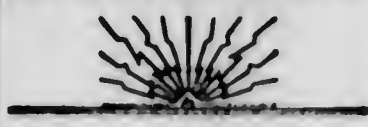
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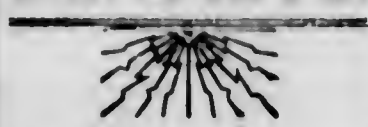
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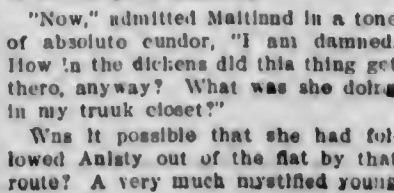
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Little cheaper than the other fellow. Wedding invitations, letter heads, bill
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and the above letter? A new
from line to line. They
r, true, and full of human

What were the jewels to him? He-
 and their sentimental associations, he
 did not hold them greatly in prize. Of
 course, since they had been worn by
 his mother, he would spare no ex-
 pense or effort to trace and re-collect
 them, for that dim gilded memory's
 sake. But in this case, at least, the
 traditional usage of the Mafflands
 would never be carried out. It had
 been faithfully observed when, after
 his mother's death, the stones had



It was so clear, now! He perceived it all, plainly. Somehow (though it was hard to surmise how) she had found out that Anisly had stolen the

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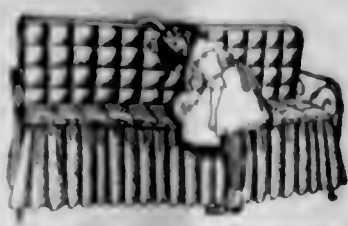
Bright College Years.
 "Smith tells me he has been graduated from an automobile school."
 "Yes; he feelingly refers to it as his alma motor,"—Puck.

THE BEST MEDICINE FOR COUGHS & COLDS

So pleasant that he likes it—and contains no opi-
ates. There is nothing like it for Bronchitis,
Asthma and all troubles of the throat and lungs.
A Standard Remedy for half a century.

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SUGGESTIONS



For The Christmas Shopper

EARLY activity of our holiday business prompts us to ask our patrons and those who are intending the purchase of Holiday gifts in anything in our line to give us an early opportunity to show **our Christmas selections** which comprise many new and pretty designs.

Our CHAIR DEPARTMENT is more complete this season than ever before. We have them in Golden Oak, Mahogany, Etc., Genuine leather seats and highly polished.

➔ **Our Line of CHRISTMAS FURNITURE is Complete in Every Respect** ➔

We have the very latest styles in choicest quartered oak and other fancy woods as preferred, in Diningroom, Bedroom and Parlor Furniture. The finish and workmanship both in and outside are the best.

It will be to your interest to look at our line, even if you do not buy. SPECIAL ATTENTION is called to our line of Diningroom and Parlor Furniture !!

We have Pedestal Extension Tables, Sideboards, Buffets, Dinners at prices that will astonish the inquirer !

Rockers, Chiffoniers, China Closets, Chiffoniers, Brass and Iron Beds in all the latest finishes.

Davenport, Couches, Library and Parlor Tables---a big, line, complete in every respect.

—Our Store is Already Arranged For Xmas Buyers—

Open at night 'til 8:30 **Hickman Furniture Co.** The Home Furnisher

EVERYTHING FOR EVERYBODY IN FURNITURE

Will Spend \$10,000 in Hickman Next Year.

River Traffic Will be Revived and Put on Early Day Basis.
Mississippi Valley Transportation Co. Power Behind
Throne. Money Ready For Improvements.

Unless the most careful and most conservative calculations count for naught, the year of 1910 will be one of the greatest in the history of Hickman. This optimistic view is based upon things in sight—upon industrial and commercial activities which have already received an impetus sufficient to warrant a sure consummation.

Not least, but probably least magnified, is the waterways improvements which will be made by the Mississippi Valley Transportation Co.

This company has prepared the following estimate of the cost of installing terminals and a fleet of barges on the Lower Mississippi River, between St. Louis and New Orleans. This estimate is based upon the use only of the first quarter of the capital stock of the company, amounting to \$2,500,000, out of the total of \$10,000,000 with which the company is capitalized. The raising of the additional money will continue as rapidly as possible, and the company will, as this money is received, extend its service into the several tributaries and to the upper rivers.

The present plans recognize the importance of the earliest possible connection between the port of the Mississippi, New Orleans, and the metropolis of the Valley, St. Louis. They are based on a tonnage which is in many instances, assured, and the remainder of which is sufficiently certain for the estimates to be based on it. The aim of this service is to give the greatest possible convenience to all the cities in the Valley between St. Louis and New

Orleans, and these estimates are based only on the minimum convenience at those cities. These minimum equipments are required for the trade which is already in view, and they will serve much more than this as the trade increases; but it is the intention of the company to enlarge these facilities as fast as the trade requires and also to install other terminals at smaller points.

Investment for terminals for immediate construction:

St. Louis and East St. Louis, \$225,000.

Caio, \$50,000.

Cape Girardeau, \$10,000.

Hickman, \$10,000.

Memphis, \$100,000.

Helena, \$50,000.

Greenville, \$25,000.

Vicksburg and Delta, \$100,000.

Natchez, \$25,000.

Baton Rouge, \$50,000.

New Orleans, \$200,000.

Investment in fleet, \$1,891,000, (immediate), to be followed by continual building until \$7,000,000 is thus invested.

Tow boats, 3, steel, 2000 horsepower each.

Barges, steel, 10, 35x50x10, capacity 3985 tons.

Barges, steel, 20, 145x36x9, capacity, 1400 tons.

Each towboat is capable of making 17 round trips a year, with a liberal allowance for delay. Three tow boat will therefore make 51 round trips, in which they will be able to propel in barges 17,500 tons down stream and 5,000 tons up-stream, averaging both full draft and light draft (low water) service. There is abundant coarse tonnage available at each end of the route, so that for lack of high class tonnage these barges can be well filled out.

Service at the River Towns.

The operations of the trunk line will be based on the port of New Orleans, and it is the plan of the company to expend there \$200,000 as a preliminary installation for a terminal which will eventually have to receive exports and imports for the entire 16,000 miles of navigable river of the Mississippi System. When the line has reached its full growth its terminal docks at New Orleans will represent an investment of from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000. The preliminary equipment will consist of a warehouse, a battery of electrically operated cranes equipped to handle freight out of ship or barge and transfer it to wagon, warehouse or railway at an expense not exceeding 10c per ton,

and probably not exceeding 5c per ton. In addition to this there will be installed cold storage equipment, consisting of a concrete basin eight to ten feet deep for storing bituminous coal under water, and riding over this a traveling bridge carrying a grab bucket which can deposit or collect coal from any part of the tank, and which can hoist cargo out of barges lying near the end of the tank or deliver the fuel in coal cars on an adjacent railroad track. The export business in coal from the Mississippi has only begun to be appreciated, and in the course of 5 years this company should be handling at least 1,000,000 tons of coal into New Orleans.

As a basis for the high class up-stream traffic on the Mississippi this company has arranged to receive at New Orleans 75,000 tons of first-class freight bound for the upper river, and these same boats will bring in at a low rate a very large additional tonnage for New Orleans. This freight consists of dry goods and other similar matter, most of which now pays a rate of 80c to 90c from New York to the Mississippi River, and which will be delivered by this company at through rates of from 60c to 65c a hundred at all river points, thus saving the jobbers of the Valley and their customers \$25,000 to \$50,000 a year on this item alone, and enabling jobbers to go farther east in competition with New York dealers.

The rates on sugar from New Orleans northward, recently lowered by the Illinois Central, are still 3c or 4c a hundred higher than this company will normally make, and in the case of close competition it will be able to go to a point at which railroad competition will not be practicable. At Baton Rouge this line will install terminal equipment which will enable it to make a junction with the Louisiana Railway and Navigation Co., which has a line to Shreveport and connections to all parts of central Louisiana available for the distribution of coal and other commodities. At Natchez a preliminary invest-

For Sale

Woburn's Lot!

G. B. Bond's Addition
to West Hickman

The best located and cheapest property you can buy. Will make easy terms. Lot sold to WHITE FELLE WEL. See me at the Oil Mill.

—G. B. Bond

Big Reduction on

Printzess Coat Suits

We have a few fine Coat Suits left and as the season is getting late, We do not want to carry them over, so we are making low prices:

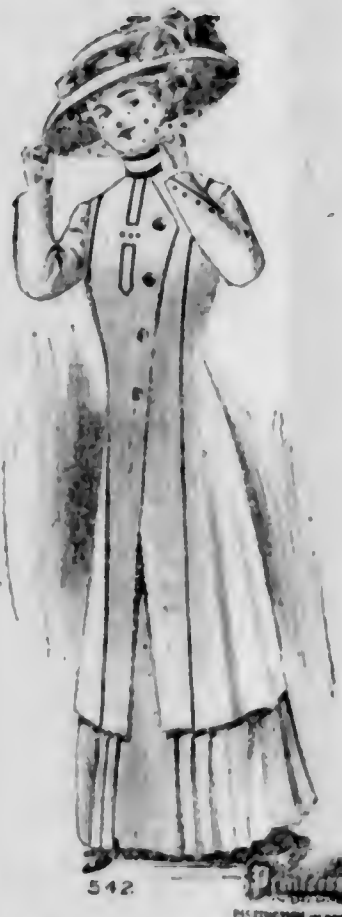
\$35.00 Printzess Suits for	25.00
\$33.50 " " "	23.50
\$30.00 " " "	22.50
\$25.00 " " "	18.50
Ladies' \$15 Capes for	11.50

All Millinery at Reduced Prices

Our rule is never to carry over a single Ladies Hat from one season to another, so in order to make good, we make a reduction on all hats of—

25% to 50% Off Regular Price

Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co., Incorporated



If you wish to have your Prescriptions filled quickly and accurately by

Registered Pharmacists

TAKE THEM TO

COWGILL'S DRUG STORE

where you may get your Drug wants at any hour

DAY OR NIGHT

Cowgill's Drug Store
(Incorporated)

ment of \$25,000 will be made to provide for the delivery of coal and delivery of package freight for distribution by the railroads leaving city and Vidalia.

Vicksburg becomes one of the important points on the river. In view of this company, as it is only a great collecting center for cotton of the Yazoo delta, famous for its high price and its excellent quality, but it is a heavy consumer of coal and the business of several important railroads.

Greenville, the center of the cotton growing region of "The Bend," is a large shipping point for the Delta. It is also the terminus of a railroad with important Alabama connections and for this purpose will merit installation of transfer cars, dock and warehouse costing \$25,000.

Helena, at the mouth of the Franchia, has several direct railroads into Arkansas, covering practically entire state and offering reasonable facility for transferring to transshipping freight. \$50,000 will be spent by the company in equipping the transfer facilities at this point.

Memphis, next to New Orleans and St. Louis, is the origin of the large traffic offered on the main trunk line. Two separate interests which desire to carry cotton to sea from New Orleans have proposed each the delivery to them of 100,000 tons comprising cotton at the shipside in New Orleans, at a rate about \$2 a ton less than that now asked by the railroads. The river rate can be made lower than this and still be profitable to the stockholders of the company, as there is no reason to doubt that 1,000,000 bales of cotton now collected in Memphis will be rapidly increased by the stimulus of a saving of 40 cents in the transportation cost of a bale and the excellent service to the shipside, which at New Orleans will eliminate all local storage and transfer charges.

Memphis will require large quantities of coal and a heavy tonnage. (Continued on next page)

Ladies
\$10.00 Jackets

1.50

ELLISON
BROS.

Ladies
\$10.00 Skirts

5.00

CLOSING OUT

Ladies
\$10.00 Long Cloaks

5.00

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To Quit Business

Everything in

Dry Goods, Cloaks, Suits
Jackets, Pants, Shoes
Domestics, Linens
Sheetings, Trunks, Valises
Dress Goods, Hosiery
Gloves, Etc., Etc.

Are now being sold at

Slaughter Prices

TO CLOSE OUT

And Quit!

Young Mens
\$10.00 Coat and Vest

1.50

Mens and Boys
\$3.00 Pants

1.50

Mens and Boys
\$2.00 Pants

1.00

Boys
\$5.00 Suits

1.50

Mens
\$10.00 Coat and Vest

2.50

ELLISON BROS. HICKMAN, KY.



THE HOME OF CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

THOSE who have followed the successive steps of progress we have taken, are aware of the helpful possibilities our store presents to all who seek sensible gifts. To others we commend the careful perusal of this announcement, or, better still, a visit to the store itself. When the problem of something to give "HIM" for Christmas confronts you, as it always does at this season of the year, turn to this store for relief—we can certainly help you make an appropriate selection.

What to Get For Him—that's the Question. Any of these are good:

Suit Cases
Suspenders
Fine Shirts
Umbrellas

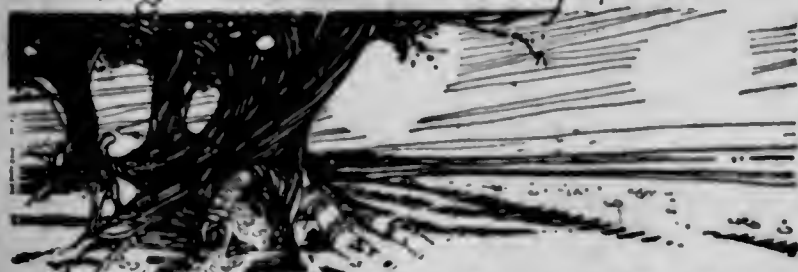
Sweaters, Ties
Fancy Hose
Shirt Sets
Hats, Caps

Fancy Vests
Kid Gloves
Collar Cases
Shoes

Hand Grips
Handkerchiefs
Mufflers
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BRADLEY & PARHAM Open every night until 9:30

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"If a man die, shall he live again?"—Job xiv, 14.

MAN questions all the silent stars;
He ponders on the hollow skies,
Whose unreplying darkness bars
The further vision of his eyes;
Yet year on year the trusting earth
Bursts from its winter winding sheet,
And man sees not the wondrous birth
Of miracles beneath his feet.

When bare, brown boughs blaze into green,
When new life thrills the blade of grass,
We scan the stars and leave unseen
The little mysteries we pass—
The marvel of the swelling bud,
The wonder of the bursting bloom,
The blossom gems that thickly stud
The ground that once has been their tomb.

The patient trees, unquestioning,
They live and die and live again,
As comes the call of fall or spring—
They lack the hopes and fears of men.
No miser-life the blossoms lead;
They spend their perfumes in the breeze;
And he who knows of worth may read
The lessons written in the trees.

Man asks his answer of the night,
And may not pierce the shrouding dark—
The earth looks up against the light
That wakens grass, and bud, and bark.
The common earth—it has no creed,
Save that spelled by each upturned clod,
No faith save that of root and seed
And the blind patience of the sod.



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In one hotel of 700 rooms only, the wage bill amounts to \$17,000 a week. A big house,—that is one which contains from 1,000 to 1,500 rooms—and the Ansonia apartment hotel in New York has 2,500—will pay about \$20,000 a day for food; to feed its thousand or fifteen hundred employees will mean from \$500 to \$700 to begin with. Fourteen barrels of flour, seven hundred dozen eggs, twenty-five barrels of oysters—the list may also go to indicate the waste there is. A big hotel will burn from fifty to one hundred tons of coal a day, winter and summer, for almost as much is required to keep the house cool as to

keep it warm. Items might easily be out of count—\$70,000 a year for music and orchestras for example, add their astonishing new figures. \$40,000 goes to new dishes, and \$60,000 to new linen. The whole bill for renewals, repairs and redecorations will annually amount to something between \$500,000 and \$600,000.

Don't fail to see our big line of Christmas Goods. Presents for old and young can be selected from our stock.—Berendes.

HOT DRINKS—Cowgill's!

FULTON PROPERTY OWNERS IN TROUBLE.

Attorney Ed Thomas, of this city, and Attorney Will Webb, of Mayfield, had a conference Wednesday evening with the committee named by the property owners of Fulton for the purpose of deciding upon a course to pursue with regard to the street question.

After hearing the case fully stated by the committee the two lawyers wanted time to look up references, to consider the case from every

viewpoint, to determine as near as possible the chances their clients would have of winning the suit.

Mr. Webb will return to Fulton either tonight or Friday night and the citizens will then be told whether or not they have good grounds for instituting a suit. If, in the lawyers' opinion, there is no hope of winning, the committee will most likely drop the entire affair but if the attorneys' opinion is favorable then an injunction will be sought to prevent the council from accepting the streets in East Fulton and to prevent the is-

suance of bonds.—Fulton Commercial.

According to a statement given out by those in charge of the Farmington, Mo., Insane Asylum, all bodies of patients who die and their family or friends will not pay the expenses of the funeral, the bodies will be given medical colleges in St. Louis and Kansas City. Notice of death will be sent by telegraph to the family of friends and a reasonable time awaited for answer before the bodies are disposed of.

Christmas

Suggestions

We are showing many new goods suitable for CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Christmas Umbrellas Not only the finest, but the largest collection in the city, of Pearl, Ivory and Gold Handle Umbrellas, at

\$2.50 to \$12.00

Handbags, Very suitable Christmas Presents. Price

\$1.00 to \$8.50

Silk Scarfs, LADIES' NECKWEAR AND LACE YOKE COLLARS— Our assortment is large, all latest ideas for this season.

Christmas Furs JUST RECEIVED, NEW LINE HOLIDAY FURS—

Black and Brown Fur Sets, with Rug Muffs to match, at **\$6 to \$15**

Fur Neck Pieces, at **\$3.50 to \$7.50**

Holiday Slippers---

Women's Comfy Slippers in felt—in black and all colors at **\$1.50**

Felt Juliets—Women's Fur Trimmed Juliets, made of good felt,

black and green, at **\$1.00 and \$1.50**

Children's and Misses' Red Felt Comfy Slippers **\$1.00 and \$1.50**

See Our New Line---

LADIES' CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS
LADIES' CHRISTMAS KID GLOVES
LADIES' SILK EMBROIDERED HOSE

Call and see these and many other new goods we have to show you.

Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Co.
(INCORPORATED.)

ALL SORTS:

Suit cases at Rice's

The last Courier for the year 1914 will be issued next week.

Born to the wife of Geo. T. Rankin, near Crutchfield, Dec. 4, a son.

County Coroner L. B. Smith has been on the sick list for several days.

Born to the wife of Ed Powell, Sunday night, a son Christmas present, eh?

Reduced prices on Ladies Hats and Coat Suits at big reductions—Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

G. L. Collins will finish the work of remodeling the pretty residence of H. T. Davis this week.

We are selling all Ladies Hats and Coat Suits at big reductions—Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

Yes, a pair of house slippers is just the thing for the ladies. We have them.—Rice's Shoe Store.

Wet weather goods—rubber boots, shoes, hats, coats, parasols, etc., at right prices at Rice's Shoe Store.

Mrs. John Kistner and son returned last week from St. Louis where they have been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Foltz.

Miss Nina Allen Holman, of near Fulton, was united in marriage last Thursday evening to Robert L. Cummings, of Union City.

Miss Frankie Reid purchased last week from S. L. Dodds a lot in the Southern Heights Addition and expects to build a nice residence in the spring.

W. A. Frost, of Wingo, chairman of the Democratic county committee, will probably make his race for the office of State Senator, the election of which comes off next year.

Mrs. Ross Long was given a verdict of \$1,450 against the J. C. Railroad Company in the Circuit Court at Mayfield, for injuries received while getting off the train at Calver City August 6, 1909.

An old gentleman in Massachusetts boasts of having voted seventy-two times. There are Republican repeaters in Pennsylvania who, although not yet on the shady side of life, have beaten that record at only one election.

The small boy is exceptionally polite and accommodating just now. There is also a noticeable increase in the Sunday school attendance in Hickman—all of which serves to remind us of the nearness of Christmas.

Sunday night at church in Hartin, a small town in Webster county, Gus Raybora, age 17, struck Yeaman Johnson, age 22, with an iron covered stove from a buggy top, fracturing the skull from which Johnson died the next day.

The poles of the Western Union Telegraph Company are being removed from the city by the employees of the electric light plant by order of the city. The W. U. people were ordered to take away the poles and not so doing the city took proper action in the matter.—Fulton Leader.

All copy for advertising in next week's Courier—the last issue of the year—must be in NOT LATER than Tuesday morning to insure its publication. The paper will be gotten out Wednesday afternoon instead of on Thursday morning, which will be all the more advantageous for the advertiser.

Sam Herry, a man about fifty years old, was arrested Thursday afternoon in East Mayfield by Deputy Sheriff John Galloway and escorted to Clinton Friday morning. Herry is charged with housebreaking and it is alleged moved from Hickman county to Mayfield several weeks ago.

In his message to congress, Mr. Taft favors granting a big subsidy to American ship-builders and increasing the postage rate on newspapers and periodicals. The ship-builders need financial assistance while all the publishers in the country are multimillionaires and able to take care of themselves.

We are led to believe from the Commercial's figures that Fulton got skinned both in price and quality of work done on her streets. Our friends also take us to task for intimating that the county might afford to build a pike from Hickman to Fulton, and assure us that it would cost \$10,000 a mile. Out this in half and it is true that if the pike was made as wide as a city street—40 to 60 feet—the cost would be prohibitory.

Will Spend \$10,000 in Hickman

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first class goods coming up from New Orleans, and its position as a distributing center for points between Birmingham and Kansas City gives it a peculiar importance for such a company as this.

Hickman, the next town on the river, and best to its size, which the company will dignify by a \$10,000 terminal equipment out of its preliminary fund, is the terminus for the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, should rapidly develop in her river traffic as it was originally planned. The small equipment here designated for this city is no indication of the final plans for Hickman, which will be enlarged to keep pace with the growth in traffic. But even this will make the old line outfit here look like 30c.

At the junction of the Ohio and the Mississippi, holds the key for all of these rivers, rich in tonnage, which go to make up the Ohio. This will be a winter terminal in the cold seasons when ice forms in the Mississippi at St. Louis, and even in ordinary seasons it will be a big collecting point and a point of distribution for interior Illinois.

Cape Girardeau, an old river town which has recently become a rail- and river-terminus of some importance, promises to be in time the gateway to the very rich and fertile region of the St. Francis Valley. As the rough trade at this point increases the company will install apparatus to accommodate it. The allowance made in the original estimate for a terminal dock capable of handling 400 or 500 tons of freight is only necessary to any that St. Louis equipment will be on a scale suited to the traffic which the company proposes to carry on.

On the Missouri side of the river will be erected a vertical wharf supported by a side track with the main line, and so with elevated running out of St. Louis, rows of electric cranes, mounted on the front edge of this wharf and operating the barges lying below, with a rapidly almost incredible and great economy, swing the loads of freight out of the hold of the waiting freight cars. These cars will have a capacity of 4 tons each, and will be able to make 60 swings an hour. Allowing but 10 minutes for each swing, they will move 80 tons an hour, making work of the handling of company's cargoes.

Rate and Service.

It is too early to give a definite statement on the reduction of freight rates and the saving to the Valley in the installation of this company. First class rates from New Orleans to St. Louis are \$1 to \$2 a ton. Coal

will be carried as cheaply by mile as it can be carried by the present Ohio river companies, and our coal supply is a thousand miles nearer our market than theirs is, this saving being a generous allowance for the customer.

But it is not entirely in the lowering of rates alone that this company benefits the Valley, as the ability to obtain transportation of any sort at moderate prices in times of congestion is worth many millions a year to the cities listed in this statement. There is, for instance, one lumber yard on the Lower Mississippi which recently had 30,000,000 feet of lumber stacked on the river bank, unable to secure freight cars to carry it away. With a requisition of seventy cars a day it was receiving but two. This lumber can be placed in barges, and instead of paying 18c a hundred rate which it pays by rail, can be carried, with great profit to the steamboat company, to East St. Louis for 12c a hundred, and the barges will be able to clear away such accumulations of stagnant and delayed freight with remarkable speed.

The fleet of this company for this purpose, the cost of which has been described earlier in this statement, will consist entirely of steel equipment, for which the maintenance is almost nothing, and the life of the barges is 50 years or more. A cent of paint every year is all the repairs such boats require for the first ten or twelve years. This is in opposition to the old style wooden boats, which cost nearly as much to build, were more difficult to tow, weigh more for the same capacity, and after the sixth year, and even earlier, require the expenditure of from 25 to 40 per cent of their cost every year to keep them in operation. It is this heavy drain that has long interfered with river equipment, and the use of steel barges absolutely does away with it.

Under the old system of using negro roustant labor there was a cost often of \$2 to \$5 a ton for putting freight off and on the boats. By the apparatus installed by this company at an initial expense of nearly \$1,000,000 this work will be done for 2c to 10c a ton, the actual cost of power for elevating and swinging the cargo being but 15-100 of 1c a ton.

The Mississippi Valley Transportation Company proposes to secure its locations on the river front of our cities with the advice and co-operation of the citizens of each town, and in the larger cities to organize advisory boards among its stockholders to assist in the direction of business from that port. It seeks the co-operation of the municipality in making its terminals as nearly public as possible, so that the benefit to the Valley may be general.

This, together with the new railroad, will be a booster for Hickman next year so far as transportation facilities are concerned.

Xmas Suggestions

The real Christmas shopping commences now, and it finds us ready with stocks of Christmas merchandise. If you haven't started it's time to begin now, as there remains only sixteen shopping days before the great gift-giving event.

Every Woman Has a Fondness For Fancy Art Linens

So you can't make a mistake in selecting some of these pieces for her Christmas gifts

Hemstitched Linen Towels, with one row drawn work—	Hemstitched Table Covers, with drawn work, Large Size—	Union Linen Scarf, hemstitched, with one row drawn work—	Ladies Hemstitched all linen Handkerchiefs sheer quality in plain white and colored border—	Union Linen Dollies, round with scalloped and embroidered edge, come in three sizes—
25c, 50c and 1.00	50c, 75c and 1.00	60c	5c to 40c	10, 15c and 25c

PRE-CHRISTMAS SALE OF RUGS

A sale of moment for the practical gift-giver as well as to those who want to beautify home for the Santa Claus celebration. A full line of Axminster Rugs, in all sizes, prices ranging from

\$1.10 to \$8.50

The Practical Woman will Appreciate a Gift of Bedding . . .

Large size Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, **\$1.00 to \$1.25**

Heavy Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, hemmed, ready for use. Price **&1.50 to \$3.00**

All Wool Blankets 10' 4" and 11' 4" sizes best blankets ever offered at price, **\$3.00 to \$7.50**

Holiday Slippers

The giving of slippers is becoming more popular each year on account of their usefulness. Men's and Women's Indian house slippers, in undressed kid, plain and fur top, in shades of brown, buck, red and tan. Prices ranging from **\$1.50 to \$2.00**

A complete line of Children's Shoes, in kid and patent leather, all styles and shades, **\$1.15 to \$1.50**

FUQUA, HELM & COMPANY

DEACON SNOW HEARS OF BIG FARMS IN DAKOTA.

I was talking with a Dakotan the other day. "Speaking of farms," he said, "we have some sizable farms out in Dakota. Yes, sir; I've seen a man on one of our big farms start

out in the spring and plow a straight furrow till fall. Then he turned around and harvested back."

"Wonderful!" said I. "On our Dakota farms," he went on, "it's the usual thing to send young married couples out to milk the cows. Their children bring back the milk."

"Wonderful!" I repeated. "Once," he said, "I saw a Dakota farmer's family prostrated with grief. Women were weeping, the dogs were barking, the children were squalling and the tears ran down the farmer's cheeks as he hitched up his twenty-mule team and drove off."

"Where was he going?" said I. "He was going half way across the farm to feed the pigs."

"Did he ever get back?" I asked. "It isn't time for him yet," was the reply. —Luzelle Weekly Squirr.

See our Christmas Umbrella—Baltzer & Dadds D. G. Co.

A designer of wearing apparel in France says that in less than twenty years men and women will wear garments that do not reach below the knees. Fashion has always been a stern ruler, but we believe that she will continue to have some feeling for bow-legged persons.

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

After having sold goods for four years on time (or credit) I find my credit business to be such as not to justify me to sell any more goods that way.

Therefore I use these columns to inform my friends, patrons and the public in general, that after Jan. 1st, 1910, I will discontinue the credit business and sell strictly for cash.

E. A. MAYFIELD, Cayce, Ky.

Alex. Greer, age 35, died at his home east of Clinton, Wednesday.

Jim Eaton, of Fulton, is a man who really deserves the sympathy of his friends. Last Wednesday he buried the last member of his family—a 7-months-old baby girl. His wife died week before last. The grave had hardly closed over her, when his sixth and last child died.

XMAS CANDIES!

No one thinks of Christmas without Candy. We could not. See the big stock we have and you will know what Candy and Xmas mean. NUNNALLY'S High Grade Xmas Package Candy 40c to \$5.00.

Helm & Ellison

The main fight of the Kentucky anti-saloon league at the session of the next legislature in January will be for an extension of the county unit law so as to embrace every county in the state. The present law provides that counties shall vote as a unit on the saloon question. If they contain cities of 3,000 or more, though these counties may vote on it without reference to the district outside the cities. The liquor men of the state realize that they must make a stand in order to avoid extinction of their business, and the people may therefore prepare themselves to witness a bitter clash when the forces are lined up at Frankfort.

Packed in individual holiday boxes, we have a nice assortment of mufflers, neckties, fancy hosiery, and suspenders. Nothing better for the men folks. —Rice's.

There will be four eclipses next year, two of the sun and two of the moon. Total of the sun May 9, invisible in the United States; total of the moon, May 23-24, visible in North Central and South America; partial of the sun, Nov. 2, invisible in the United States; total of moon, Nov. 16, visible.

U. S. Revenue officers found and destroyed a still in Ripley county, one day last week, and arrested John Hearst, John McMillon and James Steele, who are charged with operating it. Steele married a sixteen-year old girl a few days ago. Moonshining is a new occupation in Southeast Missouri.

Miss Nannie Tankersley left first of the week for Mlytheville, Ark., where she has a position as a stenographer. She ordered the Courier to follow her.

FULTON LADY DIES AT HOME OF SON NEAR HICKMAN.

Mrs. Mary Wade, aged about 70, died last week at the home of her son, Will Wade, a short distance below Hickman.

She had been ill for several weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charlie Hill, near this city, but about two weeks ago she thought she had recovered sufficiently to stand the journey from her daughter's home to that of her son. She made the trip and contracted a severe cold which resulted in pneumonia and ultimately caused her death.

Mrs. Wade was one of the most prominent ladies in Fulton county and was widely known for her many deeds of kindness. She lived a consecrated Christian life and was a devoted mother and kind neighbor. She leaves numerous relatives in Fulton and vicinity as well as a host of friends who are grieved by her demise. —Fulton Commercial.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from Hickman Council 787, Mutual Protective League, our beloved companion, Polina J. Gray, we place this here today to pay our tribute to the memory of our departed companion.

A pilgrimage is ended, an earthly destiny is fulfilled, the hard battle of life is fought and to the only great Conqueror has the warrior yielded. Let us mourn with the mourners and weep with those who weep. Language cannot convey all that we would express. For the last time has our companion shed the kindly rays of her presence over the associations of our council room.

Resolved, the council has lost a beloved member, the husband a faithful wife and the sons a devoted mother. Be it

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Council records and a copy given the Hickman Courier for publication.

LENA SUDBERRY, STELLA SALMON.

O. F. Stafford sold a hog Monday that weighed 635 pounds, at 7½c a pound. Next.

Remarkable Selling of Stylish Trimmed Hats!

Millinery carried over has no value. We have a custom to begin clearing our stock early. We do not carry Millinery over—we make prices that sell every hat. Our closing out sale is still in process.

This is a great opportunity to secure a stylish, becoming Trimmed Hat, below actual cost of production.

Our entire stock included.



There are smart hats in felt, velvet and silk, the shapes are large, medium and small, the trimmings are the newest novelties and include all shades.

You never had such a chance before.

You Will Find As Large A Stock as All Others Combined The First Here Get the Choice

SMITH & AMBERG

Yule-Tide Pranks in the U.S. Navy

By WALDON FAWCETT

THE ENTIRE holiday season and especially Christmas day, is preeminently an occasion for "letting down the bars" with reference to the personnel of the enlisted force of the U. S. navy. Ordinarily pretty rigid discipline is enforced on the warships of our navy—as is necessary, where so many men are crowded together in close quarters—but at the joyous yule-tide season the officers are wont to allow the bluejackets pretty free rein for their frolics. This latitude is allowed not merely because Christmas week is universally recognized as an occasion for mirth and merriment. Fully as potent is the fact that a general good time at Christmas keeps Jack from getting homesick for the sort of family



WRITING CHRISTMAS LETTERS TO THE FOLKS AT HOME

reunion that most other people are enjoying during the closing week of December. Of course, any one of Uncle Sam's tars may enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas at home if the ship to which he is attached happens to be in a port where his parents or other relatives reside, but, naturally, that is a rare contingency for any of the boys in blue. The average naval seaman is bound to be away from home on Christmas and he lays plans accordingly.

Many of the features of the average Christmas program in the navy indicate above all else that excess of animal spirits that might be expected from a whole community of red-blooded and militantly healthy young men who have been cooped up for some time previously. This accounts for the prominence given to sports and athletic contests in the yule-tide program. Of course, muscular competitions do not monopolize attention on this day of days. There are other red-letter events on the twenty-fifth of December, not forgetting the traditional Christmas spread and the almost inevitable minstrel show which rounds out the day. It is in connection with these, by the way, that the men-of-war-men play many of the pranks, the privilege of practicing which they claim as their inalienable right on such occasions.

Your keen-witted naval sailor dearly loves a joke on any occasion and all through the year the bluejackets display that propensity for playing pranks that might be expected of a body of husky lads who combine with strenuousness that irresponsible blitheness which comes with the comforting assurance of an unflinching supply of substantial food and warm clothing. At Christmas this spirit reaches a climax. The tars play pranks on each other; they play pranks on their officers, who cannot resent such attentions at this time, and they are pretty apt to play pranks on every body in sight. They start in before daylight on Christmas morn-

Usually, the gibes for the officers are reserved for the minstrel show in the evening, but there have been occasions in the history of the navy when the bluejackets played decidedly practical jokes on their superiors in connection with the Christmas dinner. For instance, at Shanghai, China, a few years ago, a delegation of the enlisted men got ashore almost as soon as the ship dropped anchor in port, and having forestalled the wearers of gold braid they proceeded to "corner" the limited market of turkeys. Thus they had plentiful slices of the light and dark meat at their spread, while the ward-room mess had to put up with a not altogether satisfactory substitute. The high prices paid for fowl on this occasion constitute but one of many illustrations that might be cited to prove how lavish are the bluejackets in their expenditures when it comes to providing ammunition for the proper observance of Christmas.

The mischievous nature of these boys grows tall crops out in the character of many of the contests that take place on Christmas afternoon. There are boxing, wrestling and fencing contests that are in deadly earnest, but there are also such merriment makers as egg races, potato races, three-legged races, sack races, etc., and finally there are ludicrous pie-eating contests and similar stunts. A time honored Christmas prank aboard Yankee fighting ships is that wherein a procession of fantastically garbed sailors visits the captain's quarters, carrying a bucket of whitewash, and petitions the commanding officer to literally or figuratively wipe out all scores or demerits standing against members of the crew for minor infractions of the rules. If the master of the craft is not utterly lacking in that tact and discernment which makes for popularity in the navy, he hastens to take cognizance of the spirit of the day by granting this request for universal clemency.

The opportunities for enjoyment open to our American bluejackets at Christmas have been materially enhanced by the present policy of having the warships, whenever possible, spend the holidays in some populous port. For instance, the plan, at this writing, is to have the big battleship fleet spend



EXCHANGING CHRISTMAS GREETINGS BY FLAG SIGNALING

Another new policy in the navy that makes all holidays more worth while is that outlined in the recent order of the secretary of the navy which prescribes that work aboard our warships shall be reduced to a minimum on Sundays and holidays. Even ship inspection and inspection of the crew are dispensed with on such occasions—or rather is



CHRISTMAS ATHLETICS IN THE NAVY

Christmas in New York harbor. This means plenty of entertainment for the bluejackets when they have "shore leave," and it likewise gives many of the tars opportunity to entertain fair friends aboard and proudly show them over the floating fortress.

It ordered that such functions shall take place on some other day and that the men be given practically a "free day" for their own amusement. Bluejackets who do not attend as participants or onlookers the Christmas athletic program may often be found on the holiday reading in some unfrequented corner of the ship, writing to loved ones at home, playing cards, or mayhap exchanging Christmas greetings with friends on other ships of the fleet by means of the picturesque wig-wag system of flag signaling.

The Business Instinct.

A small Detroit boy was given a drum for a Christmas present, and was beating it vociferously on the sidewalk, when a nervous neighbor appeared and asked: "How much did your father pay for that drum, my little man?"

"Twenty-five cents, sir," was the reply.

"Will you take a dollar for it?" "Oh, yer, sir," said the boy eagerly. "Ma said she hoped I'd sell it for ten cents."

The exchange was made, and the drum put where it wouldn't make any more noise, and the nervous man chuckled over his stratagem. But to his horror, when he got home that night, there were four drums beating in front of his house, and as he made his appearance, the leader stepped up and said, cheerfully: "These are my cousins, sir. I took that dollar and bought four new drums. Do you want to give us \$4 for them?"

The nervous neighbor rushed in to the house in despair, and the drum corps is doubtless beating yet in front of his house.

Doctors Versus Lawyers.

Most lawyers take a keen delight trying to confuse medical experts in the witness box in murder trials, and often they get paid back in their own coin. A case is recalled where the lawyer, after exercising all the tangle tactics without effect, looked quizzically at the doctor who was testifying and said: "You will admit that doctors sometimes make mistakes, won't you?"

"Oh, yes; the same as lawyers," was the cool reply.

"And doctors' mistakes are buried six feet under ground," was the lawyer's triumphant reply.

"Yes," he replied, "and the lawyers' mistakes often awing in the air."—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

A Time to Give.

Every boy and girl should make something to give to another at Christmas time; there is scarcely anyone who is not able to do something to make another person happy at this season of the year.

THE HOLLY AND THE MISLETOE

A CHRISTMAS ARGUMENT

One morning in the snow the Holly and the Mistletoe met, and straightway into argument they fell; And the Holly in his pride his very hardest tried To show he was by far the greatest of the twain.

"Oh, it's folly, folly, folly," cried the Mistletoe to Holly, "To give yourself the silly airs you do! For you'll very soon find out that the world, without a doubt, Could get along quite nicely without you."

"Ah, I know, I know, I know," said Holly to the Mistletoe, "You're as evasive as ever you can be! And you're cross and angry very, 'cause you haven't got a berry Red, and round, and bright and beautiful, like me."

Answered Mistletoe then, laughing: "Why, of course you're only chaffing. I've a berry too, as pure and white as snow. Every Christmas time they find me, and they take me in and bind me Just above the door, as very well you know."

"What a silly tale you're telling!" scoffed the Holly, proudly availing, "For one of you they'll use a dozen of me. You're an interfering person, and you only grow what's worse, on the branches of some other kind of tree."

"Now, to children, I'm the symbol of the nights when 'Hoot-the-Thimble,' 'Bird-Man's Bug,' and such games keep them out of bed; And the plum-pudding at dinner, you will find, or I'm a slacker, Always has a sprig of holly in his head."

Then the Mistletoe said, winking: "There's just one small point, I'm thinking, That you have altogether failed to see: If at Christmas time I'm missing, why there can't be any kissing! So the palm, you must admit, belongs to me."

Now the moral of this story is, if you're inclined to glory in your own importance, you are sure to find That in others' estimation you're a less important station, And in argument you may get left behind.



HIS OFFER NOT APPRECIATED

Elderly Gentleman May Have Meant Well, But the Damsel Was Suspicious.

The plump water girl at the lunch counter, having nothing to do at the moment, was trying to reach with her fingernails a place on her back well up between the shoulders, but with her short and chubby arms she was unequal to the task. In vain she squirmed and struggled, and twisted her face. She failed to achieve the desired connection.

The elderly man on the outside of the counter, who has been fighting a piece of overdone steak, leaned forward and spoke to her in a low tone, but with intense earnestness.

"My dear young woman," he said, "hardon the freedom of a man who has grandchildren almost as old as you are, but if you will come a little closer I shall take pleasure in scratching that spot for you, as I see that you can't quite—"

"Mind your own business!" she snapped.

How seldom—O, how seldom—is a good deed or a generous impulse appreciated in this ungrateful world!

FOR OLD PEOPLE.

After reaching the age of forty the human system gradually declines. The accumulated poisons in the blood cause rheumatic pains in the joints, muscles and back. These warnings should be promptly relieved and serious illness avoided by using the following prescription which shows wonderful results even after the first few doses and it will eventually restore physical strength.

"One ounce compound syrup of Sarsaparilla; one ounce Tonic compound; half pint of high grade whiskey. This to be mixed and used in tablespoonful doses before each meal and at bedtime. The bottle to be well shaken each time." Any druggist has these ingredients or can get them from his wholesale house.

A Double Delight.

"Congratulations, he," said young Smith to a fellow clerk. "I'm going to get married."

"Fine. Glad to hear it. But don't marry all her family."

"Oh, there's only one sister—a twin," said Smith.

"Look alike?" asked the other.

"Can't tell 'em apart."

"Well, that's rather awkward, isn't it? How do you know which is which?"

"Well," confessed Smith, "up to date I haven't tried very hard."

Good for the Nerves.

At a recent archery tournament in London 300 women took part in the contest, the game having become very popular. It is recommended by London physicians as splendid for the nerves. American women have never taken very kindly to the sport, but the renewal of interest abroad may effect a change in this country.

For Colds and Grippe—Capudina.

The best remedy for Grippe and Colds is HICK'S Capudina. Relieves the aching and feverishness. Cures the cold—Headache also. It's liquid—Efforts immediately—It's 25 and 50c at Drug Stores.

Rathuspan is something that causes a man to shout when the crowd is shouting, even if he doesn't know what it is about.

HAVE YOU A COUGH, OR COLIC? If so, take once Allen's Lung Balm and watch results. Simple, safe, effective. All dealers. Popular price—25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles.

Flattery is turned to good account when used as a guidepost to all one ought to be.—Sample.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets regulate and invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. Sugar coated. They graze. Easy to take as candy.

It is usually costly to follow cheap advice.

GAVE UP ALL HOPE

After Four Long Years of Suffering, Mrs. Dean of Benbrook Was Finally Relieved by Cardui.

Benbrook, Tex.—"I feel like it is my duty to advise other women to take Cardui, the woman's tonic," writes Mrs. I. C. Dean, of R. F. D. No. 4, Benbrook, Tex.

"I suffered for four (4) long years with female complaints. Such a miserable person as I was! I had three doctors, but they did me no good, and I gave up all hope of being relieved. At last, my doctors advised me to take Cardui, the woman's tonic. I took four bottles and now I am well. Cardui saved my life and I cannot say enough for it. I have prescribed it with great success for young girls and women with various forms of female complaint."

"Cardui is a real boon to suffering women. I am thankful for the good it has done me and I know it will cure others."

This remarkable letter from a lady who has actually tried Cardui, ought surely to convince you of its genuine merit and induce you to give it a trial for your troubles.

Purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, non-intoxicating and free from all deleterious ingredients, Cardui is the ideal remedy for all weak, suffering women, young and old.

You are urged to get a bottle at the drug store and commence its use today.

NOTE—The Cardui Home Treatment for Women, consists of Cardui, Theodor's Black-Draught (25c), Dr. Velve (50c), for the liver, and Cardui (50c), for the bowels. These remedies may be taken singly, by themselves, or in combination, as a complete treatment for women's ills. Write for Cardui's Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. for special instructions, and 4-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper, on request.

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve the most distressing cases of indigestion and constipation. A perfect remedy for Biliousness, Headache, Dizziness, Stomachache, Colic, and all the ailments of the bowels. Write for full particulars. Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

We Buy FURS Hides and Wool. Feathers, Tallow, Beeswax, Glycerine, Goldenrod, Wild Ginger, etc. We are dealers established in 1856. "Over half a century in Louisiana" and can do better for you than any other commission merchant. Write for our Book in Louisiana. Write for sample price list and shipping tags. M. Sabel & Sons, 729 S. Market St., LOUISVILLE, KY.

NEPO CURES CATARRH

Hay Fever, Rhinorrhea, Colds. For a week (one part) of 25c. NEPO 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles. U. S. Patent Office, Wash. D. C.

It is usually costly to follow cheap advice.

W. N. U., MEMPHIS, MO. 50-1904.

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CASTORIA
ALCOHOL—3 PER CENT
Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of
INFANTS & CHILDREN
Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral
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Recipe of Old Dr. SAMUEL PATERSON
Pumpkin Seed,
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Sassafras,
Rhubarb,
Ginger,
Peppermint,
Cloves,
Cinnamon,
Licorice,
Sage,
Mint,
Anise,
Fennel,
Caraway,
Mustard,
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Wormwood,
Wine,
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A Perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.
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THE CENTAUR COMPANY,
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At 6 months old
35 Doses 35 CENTS
Guaranteed under the Food and Drug Act.
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The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of
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Christmas Cut Price Sale

Beginning Friday, Dec. 17

Ending Friday, Dec. 31

FOR TWO WEEKS we will cut prices on everything in the house---the greatest cut-price sale ever known in Hickman. All standard and most dependable merchandise to be sacrificed at cost and below. It is an unusual thing for us to do to put our Cut-Price Sale on at this time, but our stock is unusually large and we must reduce it at our own expense, and you will reap the benefit of this great opportunity.

Now is The Time To Do Your Christmas Shopping At This Store

Dress Goods, Flannels, Etc.

Calico worth 7c, now at	5c
One yd. wide Brown Domestic, worth 6 1/2c	5c
cut price sale	5c
Yard wide Brown Domestic, the best, worth 9c, sale price	6 1/2c
Best 12 1-2c Outing Flannel, at	9c
Good quality Outing Flannel at	5c
Every piece of all-wool Dress Good, usually sold for 65c, sale price, per yd	48c
10c and 12 1-2c Percale, now	9c
Big line of 12 1-2c Gingham at	8c
Cotton Check Gingham worth 7 1-2c, sale price	5c
1.25 Broadcloth Panama, fine suitings, all wool, sale price	89c
12 1-2c Canton Flannel, sale price	9c
Nice line of half wool Dress Goods, worth 40c, sale price	25c
Yard wide Taffeta Silk, best quality, at this sale for	98c
Every piece of Taffeta and China Silk, plain and fancy, worth 60c, now	45c

HANDKERCHIEFS

40c Handkerchiefs, sale price	25c
25c Handkerchiefs, sale price	19c
20c Handkerchiefs, sale price	15c
15c Handkerchiefs, sale price	10c
10c Handkerchiefs, sale price	4c

Children's Coats

A large stock of Misses' and Children's Coats will be marked at half price and less.

Fine Line of Petticoats

2.50 Petticoats, sale price	1.75
2.00 Petticoats, sale price	1.48
1.50 Petticoats, sale price	98c
75c Petticoats, sale price	43



MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING

In this line we are compelled to make a great reduction without regard to cost. You need the clothes and we need the cash.

20.00 Men's Suits, sale price	14.95
18.00 " " "	12.95
15.00 " " "	9.95
12.50 " " "	8.95
10.00 " " "	6.95
8.00 " " "	4.95

Men's Pants

Every pair of pants in the house are reduced to such a point that you can't help from buying one pair at least.

Boys' Clothing

Our stock is larger than it has ever been before, and must be sold. We positively will not carry our winter clothing over. Bring in your boys.

Shirts and Underwear

Heavy, fleece lined Shirts and Drawers, worth 60c, sale price	45c
All wool Underwear, worth 1.50 a garment, sale price per garment	98c
Dress Shirts, worth 65c	48c
Dress Shirts, worth 1.00	85c
Dress Shirts, worth 1.50	98c

MEN'S SHOES

5.00 Shoes reduced to	3.98
4.00 " " "	3.45
3.50 " " "	2.98
3.00 " " "	2.45
2.50 " " "	1.95
2.00 " " "	1.55



MEN'S HATS

Soft and Stiff Hats at great reduction. Come, and let us fit your head with a stylish hat. Don't miss this chance.

SUITS AND SKIRTS

Strictly hand tailored. Our stock is very large and complete and we must sell every garment before Christmas. A great saving opportunity.

16.50 Ladies' Fine Tailored Suits in London gray, Mars green, black and navy blue	Our sale price	12.98
5.50 Skirts, strictly the very latest models, colors blue green and black, at		3.95
6.50 Skirts, best in the house, all colors	Sale price	4.45

BLANKETS

10 1/4 Heavy Cotton Blankets, worth 1.50, sale price	98c
Half wool, very heavy, large size blanket, worth 4.00, sale price	2.48
Strictly all wool, finest blanket in the house worth 9.00, sale price	5.48

Rugs and Art Squares

You can't select a more sensible gift. A nice Art Square or Rug will be appreciated by wife, sister, mother or sweetheart.

2.75 Rug, sale price	1.98
5.00 Rug, sale price	3.48
2.00 Rug, sale price	1.48
1.50 Rug, sale price	1.19
1.25 Rug, sale price	98c
30.00 Wilton Velvet Art Square, room size, sale price	22.95
25.00 Axminster Art Squares, room size, sale price	20.95
15.00 Brussel Art Squares, sale price	9.95

COME TO THE REAL SALE

Remember this is a strictly Cut Price Sale, and we mean every word—we absolutely guarantee everything as advertised. If you are not satisfied we will refund your money on anything bought outside of cut piece goods.

NAIFEH BROS. DRY GOODS COMPANY

Two Weeks of
BARGAINS

Friday, Dec. 17
till
Friday, Dec. 31

Hickman, Kentucky

STRICTLY CASH is the only Consideration at this sale.

COME
to the
BIG SALE
and get your
Christmas Goods

BEST LINE EVER IN HICKMAN

10c to \$1.00

Economy Prices

Your Money' Back

"Made in Hickman"

We are closing out this line.

FOR SALE—At once, 200 thousand extra fine heart cypress shingles, \$3.50 a thousand at Hickman, Ky. 25 miles west of Hickman. —Yates & Kirk Shingle Co., Hickman, Ky.

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

A BLUE MARK HERE means that your subscription has expired. Renew promptly if you want the paper to come to you after this month.

IS NOW LIVING in Hickman, Kentucky with his wife and children. He was born in 1850 and is now 60 years old. He is a native of Kentucky and has lived in Hickman for many years.

the Team that Pulls the Commercial Wagon up the Hill of Success. The Courier has a Spankin' Good Team. Grease the Axles of Your Wagon, Old Man, and Let's Hitch Up

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HICKMAN, FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1909.

WHOLE NO. 2478
ESTABLISHED IN THE YEAR 1850



This Beautiful
\$15 DOLL

now on display in our show window will be given away

FREE

on Christmas morning to the little girl bringing us the largest amount of sales tickets from Our Store; from Nov. 27th to the night of Dec. 24th.

Ellison Bros.

JUDGMENT IN YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

Christmas shopping is a pleasure every year. In a town the size of Hickman it does not necessitate a long or jam or crowd, but it is in order that storekeepers and clerks might wait upon a pleasant and satisfactory way. The first thing to do is to begin early as possible. The town people should take advantage of the morning and late afternoon and early evening to do their trading, thereby relieving the country people of the merchant's attention during the remaining trading hours.

It is the time to buy ladies' and Gents Suits cheap at Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

How He Saved It. There was a "Crown" says one of the officers of ancient times to another. "Put a thing to me how that has been saved to get so rich." "Nothing odd about it," replies the other. "Wait a few centuries and see how far he would get along, with a million to rent at four dollars an acre, summer hotels to stop at, waiters to tip and all that sort of thing. It is easy to be rich now."

Helpful Hint. To candy pumpkin peel, take the rind of the ordinary pumpkin, cut it over night in a sirup of one and of sugar to one pint of water, which have been added lemon peel, sugar, cinnamon and cloves. Next morning boil in powdered sugar and eat it in the oven. Eat it in two days, and let us know how it tastes. We are rather curious about it.

Getting the New Tints. Why are all the squaws crowding in the stores this week? asks the editor of the native of Painted Mountain. "Being their fall shopping," is the answer. "They get a fresh coat of paint every fall, to dress up with."

How is the time to get a new sewing machine. Do not make a mistake—get the Singer—then you are sure of getting the best.

Our merchants should get together and make arrangements with the Hickman Ice & Coal Co., to have the lights burn all day from now until the holidays. Christmas shoppers are protesting against the want of light on these short, dark days.

Xmas Cards---

Something in our line to suit everybody and no one should fail to send cards to distant friends. Any time you wish—to up.

HELM & ELLISON.

Mabel Newton Assaulted

UNKNOWN NEGRO ATTEMPTS A HEINOUS CRIME IN BROAD DAYLIGHT NEAR TOWN.

While going home from the high school here, Friday afternoon, Miss Mabel Newton, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Newton, residing one mile east of town, was accosted by an unknown negro man, near S. N. Sweeney's home, just east of the corporate limits, who made an attempt to assault the unaccompanied girl.

It seems from the story told by the girl that she had met this negro three or four times as she went home from school, and in each instance the meeting occurred in this half sequestered part of the road. There is no doubt that the brute had been waylaying the girl, but on previous occasions something had prevented him from making an attempt to carry out his dirty purpose. On Friday afternoon, however, on account of the inclement weather there was very little passing along this road and the opportunity presented itself for him to ravish his victim. The girl saw the negro, whom she had begun to fear, coming down the road toward her, and in order to avoid meeting him, crossed to the opposite side of the road; he then crossed over to the same side. When they met, the negro, glowing with fiendish desire, and making improper gestures, made known his intentions. The frightened girl made an attempt to run by him, but was caught and the frail object struggled against the strength of the brute. The nervy girl resisted her antagonist and in the scuffle twice liberated herself from the grasp of the negro. The

ONE XMAS GIFT

Should be a Box of

Interwoven

TOE AND HEEL

REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.

MEN'S HOSE

FOUR PAIRS (Assorted Colors or Black) in a special HOLIDAY BOX, skillfully reproduced in colors from a painting in oil by a well-known artist.

The socks are known the world over as the best obtainable for the price. They look well, fit well and have no equal for wear.

A SPECIAL BOX AND FOUR PAIRS \$1.00

A gift which reflects credit upon the one who selects it.

SMITH & AMBERG

second time she did so, she ran and the negro followed, but he only pursued her a short distance. Some boys were seen down the road and it is thought he became frightened and gave up the chase on this account.

The young lady ran home and informed her parents of what had happened.

It is hardly necessary to say that the irate father and posse of citizens and officers were soon scouring the vicinity where the assault occurred. The angry mob searched for the would-be rapist all night and all next day in a down-pour of rain. Every negro that answered the description

of the negro wanted was arrested and taken before the girl for identification, but of the twenty or more caught in the drag-net, none proved to be the one wanted, and were released. All efforts to locate him, up to the hour of going to press, have proved fruitless. No clue can be had from any source. The last seen or heard of him, he was going toward East Hickman. His identity is a mystery, as no one can be found, white or black, who knows his name, where he worked or from whence he came. Yet, a number of people remember seeing him at times in this vicinity. He is described as follows:

About 18 or 20 years old, about five feet six inches tall, weight about 135 pounds, copper color, has a down cast look or squinch-eyed, narrow faced, had on a short coat with snag holes in back, dark cap, very tight fitting pants, coarse heavy shoes.

Mr. Newton has sent out cards to officers in every town in this section, offering a reward of \$100 for his arrest.

Tuesday a letter was received by Mr. Newton, addressed to Miss Mabel, from Jackson, Miss., which, from its peculiar text, may prove to throw some light on the case. This is being investigated.

The Courier will just say this: If the guilty negro is caught, he is more than likely to take the usual route of such transgressors of social law. There is an abundance of hemp and determination here for all such cattle as him, and Judge Lynch will mete out justice in short order if given half a chance.



The Kimberley mines in South Africa have produced 12 tons of diamonds, valued at \$5,000,000,000. So it will be absolutely useless for any social tender to hope that she may ever be able to wear all the diamonds in the world at once.

This Fine
1000 Shot Air Gun

now on display in our show window will be given away

FREE

on Christmas morning to the little boy bringing us the largest amount of sales tickets from Our Store; from Nov. 27th to the night of Dec. 24th.

Ellison Bros.

CAN'T MAKE THEM ANY WORSE THAN THEY ARE.

The next Legislature has the satisfaction of knowing that it can tackle our present tax laws without the slightest possible chance of making them any worse than they already are. Of all the contemptible, mean, unjust, idiotic, hypocritical-breeding, poor-man-crushing and rich-man-exempting system of taxation in this great land of ours, Kentucky has it. It looks like the masterpieces turned out by a convention of the criminal insane.—Todd County Times.

Christmas cigars packed in holly boxes, made in Hickman, any size, from \$1 up, at the Hickman Cigar Factory.

People of this section were surprised to find a half-inch of snow on the ground Monday morning. Snow continued to fall during the greater part of the day, but melted about as fast as it fell. This is the first touch of real winter weather we have had. Only last week roses were blooming profusely out in the open yards.

Give your smoker friends a box of Hickman made cigars—every one guaranteed. Buy them fresh from the factory, one block west of the Ice factory.

Foreman Baker and crew, of Louisville, arrived in Hickman, Tuesday, to begin the structural iron work of the new boiler and engine room at the Mengel factory. The new building will be built right over the old one, and the old one removed when it is completed.

Percy Jones, the hustling cafe man, returned Saturday from Cincinnati, where he attended a convention of the Ice Cream Manufacturers' Association.

See our Christmas Umbrellas.—Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

"Gen. Barnes," an aged negro living east of town and known to most every Hickman citizen, died Tuesday. He was about 90 years old.

We are selling all Ladies Hints and Coat Suits at big reductions.—Baltzer & Dodds D. G. Co.

A Little World of Christmas Gifts For Men

Here are gifts that the men want, because they combine utility with their other desirable features. The Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Co. has scores of things that men need and that men will appreciate. This partial list ought to suggest something to every woman who expects to make some man happy at Xmas:



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|----------------------|----------------|
| Suspenders | Suit Cases |
| Arm Bands | Over Gaiters |
| Swell Neckwear | Handbags |
| Mufflers | Umbrellas |
| Silk Mufflers | Hats and Caps |
| Fancy Vests | Hunting Coats |
| Linen Handkerchiefs | Shoe Brushes |
| Silk Handkerchiefs | Hair Brushes |
| Fancy Hose | Cuff Buttons |
| Underwear | Stick Pins |
| Sweaters | Collars |
| Hose Supporters | Rain Coats |
| Overalls and Jumpers | Sweater Coats |
| Overcoats | Wool Shirts |
| Swell Pants | Fancy Shirts |
| Shoes and Leggings | Collar Buttons |
| House Slippers | Hunting Boots |



Sole Agents for

HAWES

\$3.00

HATS

—And—

Eclipse Shoes

FOR MEN

Baltzer & Dodds Dry Goods Company

(INCORPORATED)

Xmas Drugs---

—of course. There will be lots of need for Drugs and Medicines even in these gay times, so don't forget our very complete stock.

HELM & ELLISON

PILLOW TRIAL WILL BE HELD DECEMBER 22.

We are informed by Judge Naylor, that by an agreement reached by Robbins, Thomas and Carr, attorneys for the defendant, and Smith and Roney, attorneys of the commonwealth, the preliminary hearing of John Pillow, now in the Hickman jail on a charge of murder in the first degree, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 22nd.

It is not believed that either side will show their hand during the examining trial, but it is probable that the defendant will introduce such testimony as might cause Judge Naylor to allow his release on bond. Pillow states that he wants his trial in January and if he is bound over, which he doubtless will be, both sides desire the earliest possible trial, which would be during the January term of the circuit court, beginning Monday, January 10th.

SOMETHING NEW

Don't Fail to See Our
Great Line

Rochester Ware

HEAVY NICKEL PLATE

Nothing prettier or more serviceable for Christmas giving. Let us show you the line today, embracing

- Chafing Dishes
- Percolators
- Sugar Sets
- Teapots
- Butter Dishes
- Syrup Stands
- Serving Dishes
- Fruit Dishes
- Ladles
- Dippers
- Celery Dishes
- Coffee Pats
- Waiters, etc.

Hickman Hardware Co.
(Incorporated)

The river has been full of floating ice several days.
Fope Herring was in Union City one day last week on business.

Now due Trusses and Suspensories. See our line.—Helm & Ellison.

Will Hubbard and wife left Tuesday for Fort Worth, Texas. Mrs. Hubbard has been here visiting her sister, Mrs. T. T. Swayne, and mother, Mrs. Fope Herring, for some time.

The Hickman public schools will close next Thursday, Dec. 23, for the Christmas holidays, to begin again on January 3rd. This will give the teachers and pupils a ten days' rest.

Question: If a man steals \$3 worth of chickens and he be sent to the penitentiary for five years, how long should a cashier who steals \$353,000 be sent for?

In the circuit court at Mayfield, special Judge Johnston granted Po-Hickman John Lewis bail in the sum of \$10,000, which he readily gave. Lewis is charged with wilful murder, having shot James Puckett while the latter was running to escape arrest for bootlegging whiskey.

The Round Table

Alex. Nulfeh spent Sunday in Fulton.

Jack Newton was in Union City last week.

Curlin's flowers are extra nice for Xmas.

Dr. C. W. Curlin went to the Lake Sunday.

T. E. Benton was in Union City last week.

Don't forget to renew your subscription.

E. S. Bushart was here from Nashville Sunday.

John Hingun spent a few days at home this week.

A. S. Harkett spent a few days last week in Fulton.

See pot flowers at Ellison Bros. Dec. 20th.—H. E. Curlin.

Mrs. R. T. Tyler returned Tuesday from a visit in Louisville.

A. M. Tyler was here from Paducah Monday attending court.

Mrs. Lon Hay and son are visiting her mother near Mayfield.

Arthur Shaw, of State Line, was here Monday on business.

The new concrete street crossings are doing good service now.

House slippers for ladies and gentlemen at Smith & Amberg's.

S. L. Dodds went to the Lake this week for a few days' shooting.

Robert Saddler spent Tuesday and Wednesday at his home at Martin.

D. B. Wilson is at Mayfield attending a banquet given by the K. K. K.

Fifty fresh cut flowers at all times.—Postma, the florist, Union City.

The county clerks of Kentucky will hold their 1910 convention in Paducah.

See the new moving pictures at the Lyric every night this week—5c and 10c.

Rev. Stockton, of Covington, Tenn., preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Harvey Hogg, the well known cigar man, of Nashville, was in Hickman Monday.

Itupert, son of Joe Ballard, suffered a relapse of typhoid fever, and is quite sick.

Arthur Ballard and Miss Beulah Carter, of Bardwell, were married in Fulton Sunday.

West Hickman has the poorest lights and walks of any place in the state. And why?

Sam Salmon came up from Gold Dust, Tenn., this week and spent a few days at home.

Our small orders for flowers receive the same attention as larger order.—H. E. Curlin.

Purity, accuracy and prompt service is the motto of our drug department.—Hickman Drug Co.

Men will find something interesting in our clothing ad "For Men Only." Read it. Smith & Amberg.

Mrs. S. M. Hubbard, of Hickman, visited Mrs. M. H. McConnell last Friday and Saturday.—Arlington Courier.

Among other things to remember during the Christmas holidays is the moving pictures at the Lyric every night.

Prices reduced on the largest and most stylish stock of millinery shown in Hickman. Read Smith & Amberg's ad in this issue.

Again we say Hickman needs some organization about her fire fighting forces. It's a wonder that we do as well as we do.

Miss Hazel Jones, daughter of Leon Jones, a prominent business man of Fulton, is dead after six weeks' illness of typhoid fever.

Any man will appreciate a Xmas box of interwoven Hosiery, four colors to the box or solid black as you may desire. Smith & Amberg.

Xmas Fountain Pens

makes a high quality, lasting present. Waterman's Ideal is the best Fountain Pen made. Every pen is guaranteed. \$2.50 to \$5.00.

HELM & ELLISON

What to Give a Man or Boy

They all want useful gifts. What nicer present could you give a man than one of our late styles in

Hart Schaffner & Marx

fine suits and overcoats.

The longer he wears it the more he will appreciate the gift—all wool, perfectly tailored and latest styles.

Prices \$18.50 to \$25.00

Other makes \$7.50 to \$15

For the Boy



A "Perfection" Suit or Overcoat

will give best pleasure and comfort. Suits in Knickerbocker and Knee Pants styles, solid and fancy colorings, are well made and right-up-to-now in styles.

Prices \$1.50 to \$7.50

Overcoats

Buy the boy an Overcoat and he will remember you every cold day. We have them for the big boys and the little boys at, from

\$2.50 to \$12.50

Smith & Amberg



This List Will Help You Decide

- Suspenders, Neckwear
- Handkerchiefs, Hosiery
- Gloves, Umbrellas, Hats
- Traveling Bags, Shoes
- House Slippers, Sweaters
- Coat Sweaters, Bath Robes
- Cuff Buttons, Scarf Pins
- Underwear, Shirts, Caps
- Leggins, Suits, Overcoats
- Suit Cases, Leather Goods
- Scarfs, Mufflers, Collars, and
- Numerous Other Articles

MUST PAY.

All past due accounts and notes, if not paid before Jan. 1, 1910, will be put out for collection.

Hickman Hardware Co.

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A year's subscription to the Hickman Courier would be an acceptable and appreciated Christmas present to some friend or member of the family who has left here and is interested in the affairs of Hickman. The paper costs but \$1 and goes to them every week as a reminder of your thoughtfulness.

Monday evening, Miss Lizzie Amberg entertained a few friends at home. There were three tables. An appetizing salad course was served. The guests were Mesdames T. A. Ledford, Clifford Adams, C. G. Schlenker, J. T. Stephens, H. L. Amberg, and Misses Mollie Bourne, Nell Rogers, Homer Green, Marie Heyward, Julia Jackson and Clois Ledford.

In a decision rendered Friday by the Court of Appeals of Kentucky the Fulton Electric Light and Power Plant in Fulton, for more than four years the cause of bitter litigation in the various district and state courts of Kentucky, the order of Circuit Judge R. J. Hugg that the plant be sold at public outcry to the highest bidder, was affirmed, and the source of electric lighting and power in that city will go under the hammer within the next few months.

Hot Drinks of all kinds at Cowgill's Drug Store.

H. T. Beale, Notary Public, at W. A. Dodds' Lumber Office.

You are invited to inspect our big line of Holiday Goods.—Berendes.

See our line of Winter Lap Robes. They are good ones.—Hickman Hardware Co.

Smith & Amberg are showing some new patterns in rugs and art squares.

Telephone your grocery order to No. 38—the Old Reliable—all goods delivered.

Telephone your orders for cut flowers to H. E. Curlin right now. Orders must be in by the 20th. Phone No. 30.

Dr. S. K. Davidson, of this city, and one of the best dentists in the state, is thinking of locating in Memphis. We trust he will change his mind.

S. L. Dodds, winner of the Southern handicap and admired for keeps, bagged 65 ducks at the Lake this week. If S. L. should make as much ado proportionately over these 65 as some folks do over a half-dozen—what a long fall our cat would have.

A night school has been established at the Kentucky penitentiary with Henry E. Youtsey, convicted of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, as principal. Only twenty-nine convicts matriculated, although 225 applied. None of them can read or write.

HOUSE BURNS IN WEST HICKMAN TUESDAY NIGHT.

The four-room residence, northwest of Metheny's store, owned by Mrs. Belle Chase, was destroyed by fire. Tuesday night about 7.30 o'clock.

The residence was occupied by Lon Ray, who lost all of his household goods, valued at \$500, and carried no insurance.

Just how the fire originated is not known. Mr. Ray's wife was away from home on a visit, and he was up town when the fire was discovered but had not been gone over 20 minutes. He says he left a small fire in the heating stove, but does not think it could have caught from this source.

Several other residences near this one were threatened, and only by hard work were they saved.

The house which burned was valued at about \$1,900.

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The Hickman Hardware Co. made a deal yesterday with W. A. Dodds to take over his lease on the W. O. W. lot east of the Courier office, and will build a frame warehouse 60x60 feet in a short time.

Hickman Lodge No. 761, F. & A. M., will hold an election of officers on St. John's night, Dec. 27, and end up with a banquet at the hall.

Some new styles in "Florshebu" shoes received this week. Any man would like to get a pair of these.—Smith & Amberg.

A. A. Faris, and wife went to New Madrid Monday. Mrs. Faris was called to the bedside of her father, Mr. Robbins.

Tuesday evening Mrs. Virginia ther entertained a few friends at home. There were two tables and the long march enjoyed themselves served.

A jury was finally sworn to Redfoot night rider cases on the Union City and the State board introducing testimony Friday. It took three weeks to get the jury and will take the usual length of time to take out the evidence as before the former trial.

D. H. Wilson, of this city, took the big muddy lands of Western Kentucky, sold a lot of mules, etc. to Alex. C. Smith, of Bowling Green, Tuesday, receiving for the same nearly \$3,500. This lot was composed of 6 to 7-year-olds. Mr. Smith ped the stock to his home yard.

There's no use going away to Hickman to do your Christmas shopping. The goods are right here, the prices just as low as in the city or towns—frequently lower. Your dollars circulating among friends and neighbors whose purchases you expect to contribute to support of yourself and family.

Mrs. Ed Feather entertained the girls of the Embroidery Club last day afternoon at her home on Madison street. After the club meeting a delicious salad course was served. The guest list included a number of friends and neighbors whose purchases you expect to contribute to support of yourself and family.

IDEAL GIFTS

Considering the meager amount of money involved there is no Christmas remembrance so sure to please 99 out of every 100 men as something smart to wear.

BUT IT MUST BE SMART

And the men themselves, being familiar with the class and distinction of MILLET & ALEXANDER raiment, will naturally appreciate the gift all the more if it bears the quality stamp of this house.

A TABLE OF CONTENTS

NECKWEAR, fancy boxes	25c to 75c	HOUSE SLIPPERS	1.50 to 2.00
GLOVES	25c to 1.75	UMBRELLAS	1.00 to 5.00
FANCY HANDKER'FS	10c to 25c	FANCY HOSIERY	25c to 50c
SILK	10c to 25c	HIGH GRADE CAPS	75c to 1.50
REEFER MUFLERS	1.00 to 3.00	DRESS SHIRTS	1.00 to 1.75
KNIT MUFLERS	75c	HATS	1.00 to 3.00
SUSPENDERS, in fancy boxes	65c	SCARF PINS	50c to 1.00
CUFF BUTTONS	50c to 1.00	UNDERWEAR	50c to 1.50

WHITE HANDKERCHIEFS, packed 3, 4 and 6 in fancy boxes.

MATCHED SETS

Containing Tie, Handkerchief and Sox 1.75

Matched Sets---Tie and Sox 1.00

Nicely Boxed.

Millet & Alexander

Men's Head-to-Foot Outfitters

BETTER THAN TABLE CANDLES

New Electrical Device for Utility and Decoration Without Wires for Dining Room Use.

Every woman has realized for some time past that the use of this candle as a table decoration was attended by danger and other shortcomings and a substitute has been eagerly sought. The solution of the problem has not been found in electricity, for the reason that lamps of this character lacked the feature of portability and their use also required the presence of wires piercing the cloths and tables. A New York man has recently designed a piece of table decoration which takes the place of the candles on the dining room table in the home as well as the hotel and cafe.

The device is a pretty design embracing a silver receptacle capable of holding a single storage cell. The battery stores sufficient energy to keep



Displaces the Candelabra.

the lamps aglow for 14 hours, and the illumination emanates from three tungsten lamps supplied with switch for controlling them. Fitting neatly over the stand is a shallow glass dish containing cut flowers and water. The former are supported by a cast-glass disk with numerous holes into which the flower stems, etc., project. The lamp thus serves as a flower vase as well, and the effect of the light passing through the glass and water and playing around the flowers and leaves is very pretty indeed.

LADIES! Don't fail to see our handsome line of nickel-plated Rochester Ware. It is simply the real thing for serviceable Christmas gifts. —Hickman Hardware Co.

Methodist Church services: Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m., and 7 p. m. You are cordially invited to be present.

XMAS CANDIES!

No one thinks of Christmas without Candy. We could not. See the big stock we have and you will know what Candy and Xmas mean. NUNNALLY'S High Grade Xmas Package Candy 40c to \$5.00.

Helm & Ellison

REPRESENTATIVE MOORE WILL INTRODUCE GOOD BILL.

At the Fourth Annual Farmers' Institute held at Elizabethtown, Ky., on Feb. 24-25-26, 1909, the following resolution was offered by John A. McClure, director of the third district farmers' institutes, and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we urge upon the coming meeting of the State Legislature the passage of a bill looking to the elimination of the contract system in the State penitentiary, and that this labor be employed by the State in quarrying and crushing limestone to be used by the farmers of the State to correct acidity in the soil, and in the construction of better roads in the Commonwealth.

It is understood that Hon. F. S. Moore, representative elect of this district, will introduce a bill at the coming session of the Legislature, to meet the demands of the representative farmers of the state as embodied in Mr. McClure's resolution. If he succeeds, and judging from Mr. Moore's persistency along progressive lines, it will be a measure that will not only make our new representative immensely popular, but insure cheaper material for good roads and hence less effort to secure this desired end.

Mrs. S. B. Brown, of Hobart, Okla., writes of the accidental killing of her nephew, W. D. Lunsford, near that city, Dec. 6. The unfortunate man went out hunting, telling his wife he would be back in a little while. Night came and a searching party was sent to look for him. He was found with his head blown off, and the coroner's investigation proved that he had accidentally discharged his gun, killing him instantly. He formerly lived at Troy, Tenn.

When the season opens I want to build your house. If you want expert workmanship I can fill the bill. I also have for sale some choice lots in the Henry Addition at a bargain. This addition will be built up in the spring and an investment there will prove profitable. It is to be strictly a white man's neighborhood, as no negroes will be allowed to build there. —B. S. Elliott, at Hickman Job Shop.

Elder Briggance will fill his regular appointment at Mt. Hermon next Sunday. This is his last appointment for this year, though he will preach for the congregations again next year. A full attendance of the members is desired.

You will like yourself better and enjoy Christmas more if you wear Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes, purchased from Smith & Amberg.

Miss Estelle Reneau entertained a few friends Tuesday evening. A delightful time was had. Refreshments were enjoyed.

Xmas Fountain Pen

—makes a high quality lasting present. Waterman's Ideal is the best Fountain Pen made. Every pen guaranteed. \$2.50 to \$5.00.

HELM & ELLISON

\$14,400 LAND DEAL MADE WEDNESDAY.

The Hickman Courier Realty Co., sold yesterday for Ellison Bros., a fine 260 acre farm in the bottom, to J. P. Thomas, a wealthy and influential farmer residing on route 2, the purchase price being \$14,400.

This is one of the best tracts in the bottom, is six miles from town, and is protected by the new government levee.

The place, one section of which was formerly owned by N. J. Corum, is partially improved and Mr. Thomas will put a force of men to work clearing the timber land.

In two more years it will bring \$60 to \$75 an acre, if the owner cares to dispose of it.

Any man who knows will bear us out in saying there is no better investments to be had around here than bottom farms.

DOINGS AT DORENA.

Mrs. Pearl Maddox is sick at this writing.

Everybody is busy preparing for Christmas.

Leslie Stoker spent Tuesday night in Hickman.

Mrs. Sarah Hall was in Hickman Tuesday shopping.

Dorena was visited by a light snow the first of the week.

J. W. Ward, of Hickman, was here Tuesday buying hogs.

Several are preparing to go to Hickman soon to see Santa Claus.

Locust Grove School organized a society last week called the Locust Grove Literary Society.

Jim Townsend and Albert Barnhill were out on the Tefoo pond the first of the week hunting. From their report game was plentiful. They killed plenty of time and no game.

The death angel came to the home of W. M. Higgins and took away their granddaughter, Hattie Bertha, aged three years and eight months. The little one leaves a father and brother to mourn her loss. It was only sick a few days. Sympathy is extended the bereaved.

Rev. M. L. Blaney will speak on "Victory Through Defeat" on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 11 a. m., and in the evening on "The Success Achieved for Christ Contrasted With The Times of Paul." The public is cordially invited.

PAUL E SHAW, OF STATE LINE, STOLE MARCH ON US.

A surprise wedding took place near Union City, Sunday afternoon, in which Paul E. Shaw, of State Line, played the part of groom.

The wedding, of course, was a quiet affair, only a few of the immediate relatives being present, when Miss Virginia Thompson became the wife of Mr. Shaw at the home of the bride's parents, one mile north of Union City. Mr. J. H. Moody, of Martin, Tenn., performed the ceremony. It was a part of the couple's plans to have the same day on a wedding trip to Mobile, Ala., New Orleans and other southern cities, but owing to the disagreeable weather, they went to State Line, where they spent Monday with Mrs. H. M. Shaw, and left on their trip Tuesday.

Mrs. Shaw is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Thompson, a well known farmer of Union county, and is a niece of J. A. Thompson, cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank of this city. She is well known and popular in the social circles of Union City, and is a lady of culture and charming personality.

Paul (the rascal that he is to deceive us in this matter) is a good fellow—the kind that any girl does well to be to, but we will not mention all those good things now. We had intended to spread ourselves in magnifying his scholarly attainments, high moral standing in the community and his fulfillment of all the requirements of good citizenship, but he has snubbed our confidence. He is one of the most progressive farmers in Fulton county always right up to the scratch but we are not even going to mention it. Our years of close friendship and high esteem merited better treatment. Only last week he was telling us of his lonely state and bemoaning his failures in matrimonial lines, but we attributed his misfortune to lack of courage to stick at 'em, and extended the undeserving boy our sympathy but right then he was on the very brink of wedlock.

The happy young pair will be at home at State Line after December 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaw were the recipients of an elegant array of wedding gifts.

The "Great Religious Weekly" joins their many friends in extending wishes for a future of much happiness.

Beeler Mullins and Miss Nettie Gray, of Wingo, were married in Fulton Sunday.

ALLEGED NEGRO MURDERER IN JAIL HERE.

Ed Corbin, of Mayfield, was found dead on the rail road track at Hives, Tenn., Saturday. It was thought that he had been killed by the cars until an examination showed four bullet holes in the body. A negro bum was found on the freight train in Fulton, armed with a big revolver and it is thought he is the murderer of the white man.

According to the story of the negro now in the toils, he and the white man were riding in a coal car together when a third person, an unknown negro, boarded the car and almost without warning shot the white tramp to death, the latter falling off the train under the wheels, but the prisoners stories conflict to such a marked degree that every evidence points to his having committed the ghastly deed.

Officers Carter and Gholson brought the negro to Hickman Wednesday and landed him in the county jail to await an examination.

Corbin was an ex-convict and undesirable citizen and had been ordered to leave Mayfield.

Trees in English Town.

The trees in the streets form a special feature of Folkestone, England. About 4,000 in number, they include handsome horse chestnuts, elms, planes, sycamores and limes. In Castle Hill avenue, a hundred feet wide, with four rows of trees, the horse chestnuts make a fine show, especially at the blossoming period.

We want every Courier reader to see our exclusive line of 1910 Holiday Calendars, presenting a variety of picturesque views of Hickman. The calendars are so arranged that the pictures may be changed without any trouble if you desire to do so. All finished in holiday effects and heavy durable card. Prices range from 25c up. For friends that must be "remembered" without a large outlay of money, these are just the thing. See them on display at Helm & Ellison's Drug Store.

For first-class cleaning and pressing, go to Schmidt's.

Xmas Cards---

Something in our line to suit everybody and no one should fail to send cards to distant friends. Any price you wish—1c up.

HELM & ELLISON.

NEW STEEL BRIDGE NOW ON THE GROUNDS.

The new steel bridge which will span the ravine between the city and Southern Heights Addition, arrived here Monday, and is now being put on the grounds.

This bridge will take the place of the old wooden structure now being used, and known as "Lovers' Bridge," but will be about twice as long and 10 or 15 feet higher. In actual length the new bridge will be 285 feet. The north end will be on a level with the street, sloping south on a 3 per cent grade, the south end connecting with the new concrete walks. This is, as is generally understood, a foot bridge, but will be a first class article.

When this work is completed, Southern Heights will be easy to reach—and hard to leave. There is not a prettier spot in Kentucky for a residence section; and it will only be a few days now until water mains, bridge, lights, walks, etc., will all be completed, thus bringing about a realization of Col. Walker's dream of "country homes with city conveniences."

ADJOURNED MEETING

The business meeting of the deacons and members of the Christian church called for Sunday, 7:30 p. m., last, was postponed on account of the inclement weather. The meeting is called for Thursday evening, Dec. 16, at 7:30. Business of importance will be transacted. A full attendance is requested. M. L. Blaney, pastor. John A. McClure, Pres. Board of Deacons.

Miss Della Crawford, aged 50, of Fulton, drank carbolic acid by mistake and died Sunday morning. The body was found stiff and stark in death early Sunday morning by those who entered her room in the old hotel apartments over the former home of the Baptist Flag on Walnut street, a half empty bottle of carbolic acid giving mute evidence of the cause of her death. Miss Crawford had been using the deadly poison as a gargle antiseptic and it is presumed that forgetting to dilute the acid, death resulted before help could be summoned.

It is reported that blind staggers is epidemic among the horses of Graves county and a number of animals have died of the disease.

"FOR MEN ONLY"

EXTRA SPECIAL

Choice of a large line of Men's regular \$12.50 to \$15 Suits at

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The Styles are not quite up-to-date, but the quality is better than you can buy now at the regular market prices

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Old Santa Claus

Begs to Announce that his Stock of

TOYS

AND HOLIDAY GOODS

Is now on display at
ELLISON BROS.

Where they will be sold in connection with their Closing Out Sale at extraordinary low prices. He will show toys of all kind, such as
Air Ships, Aeroplanes, Dolls of all sorts, Furniture,
Wagons and Carts, Drums and Horns, Iron Toys, Tin Toys,
Trains, Stoves, Ranges, Everything in Toys That are New
HOLIDAY GOODS IN HOLLY BOXES

Fancy Imported China Ware, Plates, Bowls, Salads, Cups and Saucers, Vases of all kinds
Cut Glass, Hand Painted China, Hair Brushes, Cloth Brushes, Shaving Sets, Fine Paper,
Manicure Sets, Pictures, Nut Bowls, Handkerchiefs, Suspenders, Gift Books, Mirrors,
Comb and Brush Sets, Manicure Sets, Glove Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, Smokers' Sets

And a Big Line of

LITTLE NOVELTIES THAT ARE NEW AT LITTLE PRICE

ELLISON BROS. - Hickman, Ky.

Monday night H. E. Curlin entertained a bunch of "stings" at progressive "500." Cigars were enjoyed during the games. Refreshments were served. Those present were: A. E. DeBow, B. G. Hale, Jr., W. C. Reed, J. W. Meacham, W. G. Dornan, Gus Alexander, Cowgill Rogers, Dr. C. M. Blackford, J. C. Sexton.

Don't fail to see our big line of Christmas Goods. Presents for old and young can be selected from our stock.—Berendes.

The White City Comedy Co., of Chicago, traveling in their private boat, played at the Lyric in this city Friday, Saturday and Monday nights, but owing to the inclement weather, failed to get much of an audience. The show is pronounced by those who saw it as one of the best attractions in that line ever seen in Hickman.

Gents' furnishings—underwear, hats, caps, shirts, hosiery, etc., in great variety at Rice's Shoe Store.

HONOR ROLL OF PUPILS OF HICKMAN COLLEGE.

At the recent examinations just held at Hickman College, the following pupils soared up into the bright realms of honor and renown:

Seniors.	
Lola Bartlett	96.5
Magalee Rice	90.8
Leah Barry	89.8
Juniors.	
Ola Monan	93
Virginia Royster	91.5
Elise Luten	89.8
10th Grade.	
Lon Naylor	91.5
Nannie Smith	90.2
Pansy Weatherly	88
Cecile Barnes	85.5
Grace Kimerer	79.5
9th Grade.	
Lillie Hackett	98.8
James McGhee	98
Lillie Coffey	96.6
Irene Thompson	95.6
Miriam Luten	95.4
Lewis Lunsford	94
8th Grade.	
Gladys Caldwell	99.2
Roy Journey	96.6
Fern Bryan	96
Leata Pierce	92.2
Clois Ledford	91
Dee McNeill	90
7th Grade.	
Grace Campbell	96.8
Haltzer Dodds	96.4
Marshall McDaniel	96
Fay Glaser	91.8
Lexie Rice	90
Lola Hammond	88
6th Grade.	
Milton Hackett	97.8
Emma Ben Mayers	97.7
Scott Collins	96.4
Harvey Collins	96.1
Porter Pierce	95.8
Dee Reid	94.4
5th Grade.	
Mary Tempa Burnett	97.2
Mildred Caldwell	96.1
Willie May Reaser	95.4
Nannie Higgins	95
Elizabeth Reeves	94.4
Vera Smith	94.4
4th Grade.	
Annie Russell Moore	93.6
Claude Owens	93
Velma Swift	92.8
Estelle Johnson	92.5
Ceryl Peck	92.3

Xmas Cigars---

A fine stock that will at once appeal to ladies who have a present in mind. We will help ladies make a choice.

HELM & ELLISON

Robert Hughes92

3rd Grade.

Anita Dodds96.6
Anna Lynn Dodds95.2
Christine Smothermon95
Helen Rice93.2
Reeves Erwin93.2
Thelma Hunt93

NAYLOR IS APPOINTED DISTRICT MANAGER.

J. Edgar Naylor, proprietor of Naylor's Book Store, of this city, has accepted the place of District Manager of the National Life Insurance Co. His territory will cover Western Kentucky, and he expects to go on the road the first of January. He will continue, however, to run his book store, which will be in charge of Miss Ethel Naylor when he is absent.

Pres. Taft's recommendation to Congress that contributions to the election of its members be made public comes in pretty well as one of the merry jokes of the season, and is duly received by all as such.

DEMONSTRATION AT HICKMAN HARDWARE CO.

The Hickman Hardware Company is having a demonstration this week of the cooking of the Majestic Range. Coffee and biscuits are being served every day this week from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Great crowds are visiting the store each day and everybody is invited to drop in and partake of a cup of hot coffee and biscuits. Tomorrow will be "cake day" when several people will be permitted to get on a cake, making it flat. The cake will then rise to its normal size showing the wonders in cooking done on the Majestic.

Frank G. Pepper has charge of the demonstration.

C. Tappen, an expert cigar maker, of Hopkinsville, has been employed in the cigar factory of W. M. Cason. The fact that Mr. Cason is having to employ more help is good evidence of the growing popularity of this Hickman product.

Give your home man the preference—buy Hickman made cigars. A nice assortment, all size boxes—W. M. Cason.

J. F. Mosler was in Union City on business Monday.

John R. Jones, who was selected some time ago for census supervisor for the First Kentucky district, was given the appointment this week. Mr. Jones lives at Princeton.

Xmas Gifts---

That's a broad subject but our stock covers it thoroughly. Think of a Kodak or Camera for Christmas—\$1 to \$10.

HELM & ELLISON

WILL GO IN DRY GOODS BUSINESS IN HICKMAN.

D. J. Leachman, of Nashville, was here this week looking for a building in which to open a dry goods store.

It is likely that he will succeed in getting the W. A. Hodge building now occupied by the Home Furniture Co., by making a deal with Cotton & Adams who have the building leased for a term of three years. Cotton & Adams expected to occupy the place themselves but are now leasing to the Farmers Hardware Co. Leachman will open up his business here some time in January. He is said to be a progressive man having been in this line of business for a number of years.

We are glad to welcome him to the best town in the United States.

Spend a little of your money for some of the Christmas and tubercular stamps, and thereby enlist in one of the greatest battles ever waged for suffering humanity.

Big Sale on Handpainted and Japanese ..CHINA..

A large assortment of the finest china ever shown in the city, 3.50 and \$3 values now on sale at---

\$1.98

See Our Window

Book & Novelty Store
J. E. NAYLOR & CO.

COLD WEATHER



Cold weather invariably means coughs and throat troubles, and a cough once started may easily terminate seriously if not checked. As the best cough remedy we heartily recommend

Tar Pine

This syrup quickly, surely and safely relieves all coughs, colds, bronchitis, hoarseness and other throat and lung troubles. It is pure and sure, and pleasant to take. Use it and be safe.

HELM & ELLISON

FURNITURE FOR THAT CHRISTMAS PRESENT

W. F. Montgomery

not composed and day. Therefore, possible, assist in getting your news week. Otherwise it is to cover the late paper out on time. we always want the and if you have a bit of the and send it in the first week and it later.

FARM LOANS

authorized to take application loans in Union and Weakley counties and in Fulton County the rate of 5 per cent per UNTIL JANUARY 1, 1910. per cent of the full cash value of will be loaned. Loans made of \$1,000 or more on tracts of FIFTY ACRES OR MORE or ten year's time, with privilege of paying same after in full or making any size payment desired at intervals months after the expiration of year, the interest being stopped until payments made.

SPRATLIN, Attorney-at-law, Union City, Tenn.

Yale football team cleared \$20, receipts of \$30.

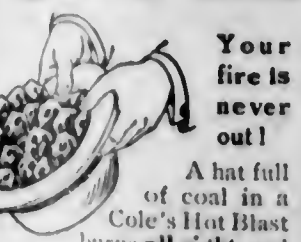
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Your fire is never out!
A hat full of coal in a Cole's Hot Blast burns all night, and in the morning instead of building the fire, slivering in a chair and waiting for the fire to heat up, you open a draft only.

And there is fuel enough left to warm up nicely. We guarantee a saving in fuel of a third. This is a conservative guarantee. You really save one-half to 60% of

I do the best I know. The very best I can; and I mean to keep right on doing so until the end. If the end brings me out all right, what is said against me won't amount to anything. If the end brings me out wrong, ten angels swearing I was right would make no difference.—Abraham Lincoln.

BOTTOM FARM CHEAP.

The Courier Realty Co. has for a limited time a nice bottom farm that can be bought for about \$42 an acre. It contains a little over 92 acres, six miles from town. Adjoining land is selling at from \$55 to \$60, but is no better. Good reason for selling. Apply at Courier office.

"Turn that paper the other side out," said a lady in a Hickman dry goods store one day last week, as the clerk was putting up her purchase. "I don't want to be a walking advertisement for your store. I read the papers as all intelligent people ought to do, and I think in them is the place to advertise your business. Instead of asking customers to carry your sign around with each purchase of goods, go tell the people through the papers what you have to sell and how you sell it."

RURAL PHONE PATRONS.

The management of the Hickman Independent Home Telephone Co., wishes to announce that they are now ready to make connection with all country lines on either side of Hickman. The company furnishes all equipment in the city and connects with your lines at the limits for \$15 per line and charges 75c a month for their exchange service. See A. W. Davis, Manager.

All kinds of meats at Moore's grocery.

If there was no hole in the doughnut there would be more dyspepsia in it than there is.

The crops of Hurley tobacco in Kentucky is estimated at 200,000,000 pounds, the largest crop ever grown in the state. The prices average about 14 cents a pound.

Telephone 84 or 113 and let's talk it over.—Schmidt.

CHRISTMAS REUNION

HOW TO MAKE THE HOLIDAY PARTIES MOST ENJOYABLE.

A Number of Games That Will Prove Pleasing for Both Old and Young at the Yuletide Season.

The wealth of new games is so great of late years that the entertainer is apt to overlook the splendid old games, many of which have never been surpassed. If, indeed, we can equal them. Old favorites are specially good for Christmas reunion gatherings because in most cases they require no advance preparation and are easily grasped by the few to whom they are unfamiliar.

One such sport is that called "acting adjectives." To play it one member of the company leaves the room, and each person remaining agrees upon a certain adjective, which he or she will act out when called on to do so. When the retiring player is recalled he asks someone in the group a question. This player must then answer in a way which will illustrate the adjective assigned to him. Thus, a player who has taken the word "merry" will howl his reply, and at the same time contrive to let a book fall to the floor with a loud clap.

The man or girl representing "factitious" must reply in as few words as possible, and so forth. As soon as the guesser has divined one of the concealed words he takes a chair in the circle, while the person whose adjective he guessed withdraws from the room.

"Magic music" makes a lively number in the program, played in this way. One person is chosen to hide the coin or ring. All the rest withdraw, with the exception of the person who will play the piano. The person holding the ring then hides it, acquainting the musician with its whereabouts, and the company is readmitted.

The players now arrange themselves in a row, each one with his hands on the shoulders of the person in front of him. One player, the leader, heading the procession. When the music starts the line of boys and girls goes off in search of the ring, guided in this by the music. This, of course, plays loud and cheerily as the object is approached, slow and dolefully when the procession is headed in the wrong direction, and faintest when they are furthest from the prize.

"Thought transference" is not precisely a game of contest, but there are few better ways to interest a party of guests, and whatever the psychologic explanation of the phenomenon, it never fails to create amusement. To arrange it the person to be "subject" is sent out of the room. Two players are appointed to transfer the thought, and these decide upon what simple stunt the player will be required to perform. Thus, he may be required to pick up a book, to arrange a cushion, or to touch the keys of the piano. The rest of the company is informed what the required stunt will be.

The "subject" is then readmitted, and those who are to guide him stand on each side and hold his hands. These thought transferers, as well as the rest of the company, then center their minds upon the thing to be done. In eight cases out of ten the "subject" then wends his way, still holding the hands of the other two, towards the appointed object, and does what is required of him.

It is most exciting. The audience will probably demand several "subjects" and experiments before their curiosity is sated.

A new game which will appeal to active, lively girls, as well as to the boys, is a color base. This is a splendid frolic for the hall or living room, and can be played in quite close quarters.

Each member of the company but one is given a certain color or shade, which will represent his personal safety, since, when standing with a foot or hand on something of that color he cannot be tagged. The remaining player is made "catch" and pursues the fugitives around the room. He must remember the colors given to each, as the pursued, when in a tight fix, will try to deceive him by touching some color not theirs.

When the catch succeeds in catching some one off base and tagging him he changes places with the person caught. It adds to the fun to give the catch a long, flexible stick with a handle of raw cotton dipped in flour, tied to one end, with which to tag.

Now for a sit-down game while legs and arms are resting and players take breath. A good one is a contest seeing who can write down the longest list of words suggesting or belonging to the Yuletide season. Pass around blank cards and pencils and allow 15 minutes for working up the lists. Such a list will include the words, holly, mistletoe, St. Nick, Christmas carol, waltz, yule, yule log, gift, greeting, Christmas box, snapdragon, holidays and a long list of related terms. Give a prize to the player whose list proves longest.

To carry the fun a bit further on, get two pictures as large as possible, representing the Christmas saint. "Ads." or illustrations from back numbers of periodicals will do. Cut each picture into six or eight pieces and hide the pieces in odd nooks and corners around the room. When the signal is given players hurry away in search of the fragments. As soon as a player has found a place he ceases to search, and all those who have found mosaics commence to patch them together. All those who find

fragments are entitled to draw for the prize—a Christmas book. This makes a most exciting scramble game, since it is not until both pictures are completed that the unsuccessful players give up hope.

When the company does not include children too young to read or write, composing a Christmas story makes a pleasant pastime. The players are given penny blank books and pencils and each is called on to name a word which must be woven into the story each writes. These words everybody puts down. Twenty minutes is allowed in which to think out Christmas stories or incidents and for putting them into words. At the end of the contest the stories are read aloud and voted on. The best is awarded a prize. If any story fails to include all the given words it is not entered in the competition.

The best place to play this game is around a large table which affords room for the different papers, pencils and elbows.

Have for the centerpiece of the supper table at this Christmas party a large cake loaf in white, with wreath or artificial holly and a crown of red candles. In the center have a tiny Santa Claus, with or without reindeer, and a sleigh.

From the cake run scarlet ribbons, terminating in souvenir at the different covers.

Serve for the refreshment hot oyster soup and crackers, cold sliced tongue and potato or chicken salad, followed by ice cream and cake or a dainty jelly or custard. Then coffee, wafers and cheese.

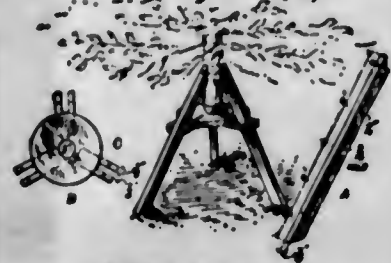
Wrap tiny bonbons in squares of tin-foil and pour a little alcohol over them on a metal tray. Let the guests snatch them from the flames with their fingers.

FOLDING STAND FOR TREE

One That Can Be Easily Made and Which May Be Kept for Future Use.

The accompanying cut shows a simple way to make a support for a Christmas tree, says the Scientific American. The material should be of hard or tough wood that will not split easily.

Make three pieces like A, of 3/4x2-inch strip, also three pieces like C, of



Folding Tree Stand.

3/4x2-inch strip, and one piece like B; for this the bottom of a peach basket will do very well. In the center of the disk B bore a 2-inch hole to receive the sharpened base of the tree. Fasten the C pieces to the under side of the disk B with screws. Bore holes in the arms of each C piece to just receive a three-inch wire nail. In the top of each leg, A, as shown, insert a small nail or screw to form a point that will press into the tree. Now place a leg, A, in the slot sawed out of C, and pass a three-inch wire nail through the holes.

When the Christmas tree is taken down the legs may be unbanded and the stand folded and packed away for use next year.

PRETTY NECKPIECE OF LACE



Girls are busy these days making elaborate neckpieces of lace and satin, or net and ribbon. The one shown in the sketch is made from white figured flannel net attached to a high, boned stock of black satin. The bow in front, and the jabot, are merely pinned on and can be replaced by others.

Christmas Decoration.

A simple Christmas decoration for the dining room is to hang the chandelier with greens and holly and from that carry loosely long ropes of ground pine to each corner of the room, thus making a canopy for the table. A bit of mistletoe skillfully introduced where all will have to pass under it in leaving the room may add to the fun. In the center of the table lay a tray, and on this a glass or copper bowl of holly, frosted as though it had just come from the wintry field. For the favors to be laid down by the place cards there are tiny earthen pots with miniature decorated Christmas trees.

What Will I Buy for CHRISTMAS



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Now is the time to get the BEST and get it to suit. Our assortment is so complete that the widest range for selection is offered

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with bright, new goods to please every buyer who is seeking an appropriate Christmas Gift for old or young

Whatever your needs lets us show you that we have Genuine New Attractions for Christmas that will please you

Remember

That our choice selections for the Holiday Trade are thoroughly up with the most advanced ideas of the season in Variety, Novelty and Good Quality.

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Influence, like a pebble dropped into water, will ever circle and widen.

For the sake of your children don't do it. It is a great misfortune to have children reared in the presence and under the influence of a school. The effect of the everlasting complaining and faultfinding of such persons is to make the young who hear unsuitable, malicious, callous hearted, and they often learn to take pleasure in doing the very things for which they receive such tongue-lashings. As they are always getting the blame of wrong doing, whether they deserve it or not, they think they might as well do wrong as right. They lose all ambition to strive for the favorable opinion of the faultfinder, since they see they always strive in vain. Thus a school is un-

*St. Louis
Fur. Co.*

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Special 10 per cent discount on 70 patterns, as long as they last. Suits \$18 up; pants \$5.50 up.—Schmidt, the tailor.